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COAL MINE HOURS AND OUTPUT.

A MINER'S VIEW OF THE COAL
CONTROVERSY.

VARYING CIRCUMSTANCES.

The following article is by a Staffordshire miner—up at Oxford, for the W.E.A. Summer School—who has attempted to answer in the light of his own experience some of the questions commonly put.

One gets the "You know, old chap, eight hours is only about the same time that we all have to work." The Samuel Commission gives the day as being 7 1/2 hours. This does not tell what the public ought to know about the legal day of the miners. Mining is unlike other industries in so far as we cannot all get to the actual working place at the same time, and each mine has a legal day to enable the men to get down and up, leaving a clear seven hours of actual winding time, during which the coal is being brought to the surface. The legal day of the mine at which I am employed, or rather was employed, begins at 4.15 a.m. and ends at 2.45 p.m., not at all bad for a seven-hour day; but our crowd are rather lucky, for the mine is quite small; our nearest neighbour has half an hour longer. The longest legal day of the mines that I know of begins at 4.45 a.m. and ends at 3.15 p.m. Please do not think that the walk in the mine is a gentle saunter in the park; very often the walking is worse than the working. You may ask why it is that there is so much walking to be done, why are we not carried into the actual workings? That question you must ask of the management; that is their job. When they can carry us in and out within something like eight hours the problem of the eight hour day is solved.

OUTPUT.

"What about this reduction of output? Are you fellows slacking?" asks a candid friend. Naturally I ask who suggests that we are slacking. "Oh, well," is the reply, "I see in the papers that at such a date the output was considerably more per man than it is to-day." That may be true, although we always suspect the figures, for we know who handles them. But let us accept the figures as given. Did you read in the papers that when output was at its peak wages were less by far than they are to-day, and if wages are determined solely by output why did not the miner get the highest wages when his output was greatest?

The figures were given in the shape in which they were presented to the public for the very purpose of suggesting slacking. The figures may be right, the average output per man may be less, but the cause of it lies not with the miner, but with the management and mining conditions generally. Let me give a case in point. About 30 years ago I worked at a certain mine that was just opening up a fresh seam, the shaft had just been sunk to it. The district consisted of six drifts, the drift being the working unit of the actual coal production. Six men made up the drift team. Altogether this district employed 50 men, including the fireman, and the output was 100 tons per day on the average. Even if one of the drifts were off for some reason the average was maintained, for when all were at work the greatest possible output of each individual drift was not possible. The output was, in this case two tons per day per man and lad. That was 20 years ago, and they are still working in the same seam.

What is the cost of haulage? How many does it take to handle the coal now? Thirty years ago 14 people were sufficient to put the coal on the cage. To-day the drifts still maintain the same average output, but the number of men and lads on haulage work has increased, and so the average output per man has decreased. This applies to all, or nearly all, the mines in North Staffs. There are two new mines, I believe, and one or two have sunk their shafts to lower seams. I worked at one of these pits when the men could get to the actual workings in 10 minutes; it now takes an hour.

THE SURFACE WORKERS.

The Commission pointed out that many of the people that have recently come into the mining industry are employed on the surface. In the old days the coal was just tipped into the trucks and let go at that. Nowadays there is a little army of men and lads employed on the modern screens and slack washers. This new plant may be very necessary, but it does not help to produce a larger output, and every additional man and lad so employed lowers the average output per man. Whatever new improvements may be applied for the separating and cleaning coal when it arrives on the surface do not help in the production.

Another question asked is: "Is it true that your industry is so very out of date as so many of the papers suggest?" I cannot speak of the industry as a whole, I can only speak of what I know. You will have read that the miners claim they could, and would, send out more coal if the owners or management would let them have the waggon to put it in. This waiting for waggons has become a chronic disease in many mines in North Staffs, but it was not always so. In North Staffs there are large numbers of small dirt heaps where quite small mines once were. In those days the mines were worked by what we older men call the "big butt system," under which two or three men would contract with the owners or managers for the working of the whole pit. The idea in the minds of the butties was to keep the drifts supplied with waggons even if the shaft had to wait now and again; it would give the winding engine time to cool a bit. Under this system waiting for waggons was unknown. I started my mining life under this system. The slogan of that day was "keep the drifts going," but the old order changes, and now the cry is "keep the cages running." (Continued on next column.)

EXIT GARRICK.

OLD DRURY LANE DAYS.

[BY G. E. MORRISON.]

A great event of the year 1778 was the retirement of Garrick. Ever since he drew the first Drury Lane to White-chapel in 1741, and was forthwith transferred from Whitechapel to Drury Lane, he had occupied a position in the social, literary, and theatrical world such as no other actor has held. From 1747 he had been in control of Drury Lane, and with him it had proved a gold-mine. It was now passing into the hands of "young Sheridan," who, by creating in it interests in order to raise money for his private needs, made it ruinous to his successors. Garrick was just turned sixty; he had three years to live before being buried with great pomp in Westminster Abbey.

His last appearance on the stage was on Monday, June 10th, and the *Morning Post* of the following day contains an account. The play was "The Wonder," in which as Don Felix, he was at his sprightliest. He made a speech, which the *Post* reports, with at the foot the note, "This address was taken down in shorthand." He spoke with emotion. "Here for a moment he was unable to proceed until relieved by a flood of tears." But there is nothing arresting in the account: the writer's descriptive powers being presumably paralysed by the magnitude of the occasion. What the retirement meant to London comes out more vividly in the reports concerning earlier performances in which he sustained his or that favourite character for the last time. From these it appears that the quality liked him best in comedy, and the public at large in tragedy. Thus the *Post* of May 10th of his final performance of Farquhar's comedy "The Beaux' Stratagem."

The concourse of people of fashion was so great on Sunday last to see Garrick's Archer at Drury Lane, that many of them were not able to get to their carriages by one o'clock the following morning.

"HOUSE FULL."

The *Post* of May 21st reports of the final performance of "King Lear," which Garrick embellished with a happy ending, as course for which the late Sir Theodore Martin furnished a ludicrous justification.

A gentleman who came post from Egham in order to see Garrick play "Lear" last month, took his post as near the door leading to the pit as he could possibly get at four o'clock; he stood the various crushings and squeezings usual on such occasions—with great fortitude and composure till half after five: when, the doors opening, he was carried by the torrent, without any progressive movement of his own, into the pit-door and from thence was shot with great violence by the eddy of the tide plump against the corner of the front boxes with his back to the stage, in which cruel situation he remained during the representation despite every struggle to turn him round.—*Morning Post*.

and here is a considerable cause of the waiting for waggons trouble. We are in the new order. The mines are bigger; by which I mean they can extend their levels to greater distances than an older generation ever dreamed of, and new problems have to be faced.

Linking the output of the face with the winding capacity of the shaft is among the toughest propositions that the manager has to face. Let that be as it will, it is the manager's job, not the miner's. It was this attempt to organize the drift to the shaft that was responsible for the overcrowding of mines and was partly responsible for the minimum wage.

Now to take machinery. I first saw a coal cutter less than six months ago; it certainly is not more than 12 months old in this particular mine. When it was introduced it was brought into the same seam and under the same conditions that prevailed these last 20 years. This I know to be true, for I have worked in the same seam for that length of time, and there is quite as much coal heaved by hand as is not by the machine at the mine I work at. There have been some improvements during recent years in the matter of haulage, but there are quite a number of horses still with us.

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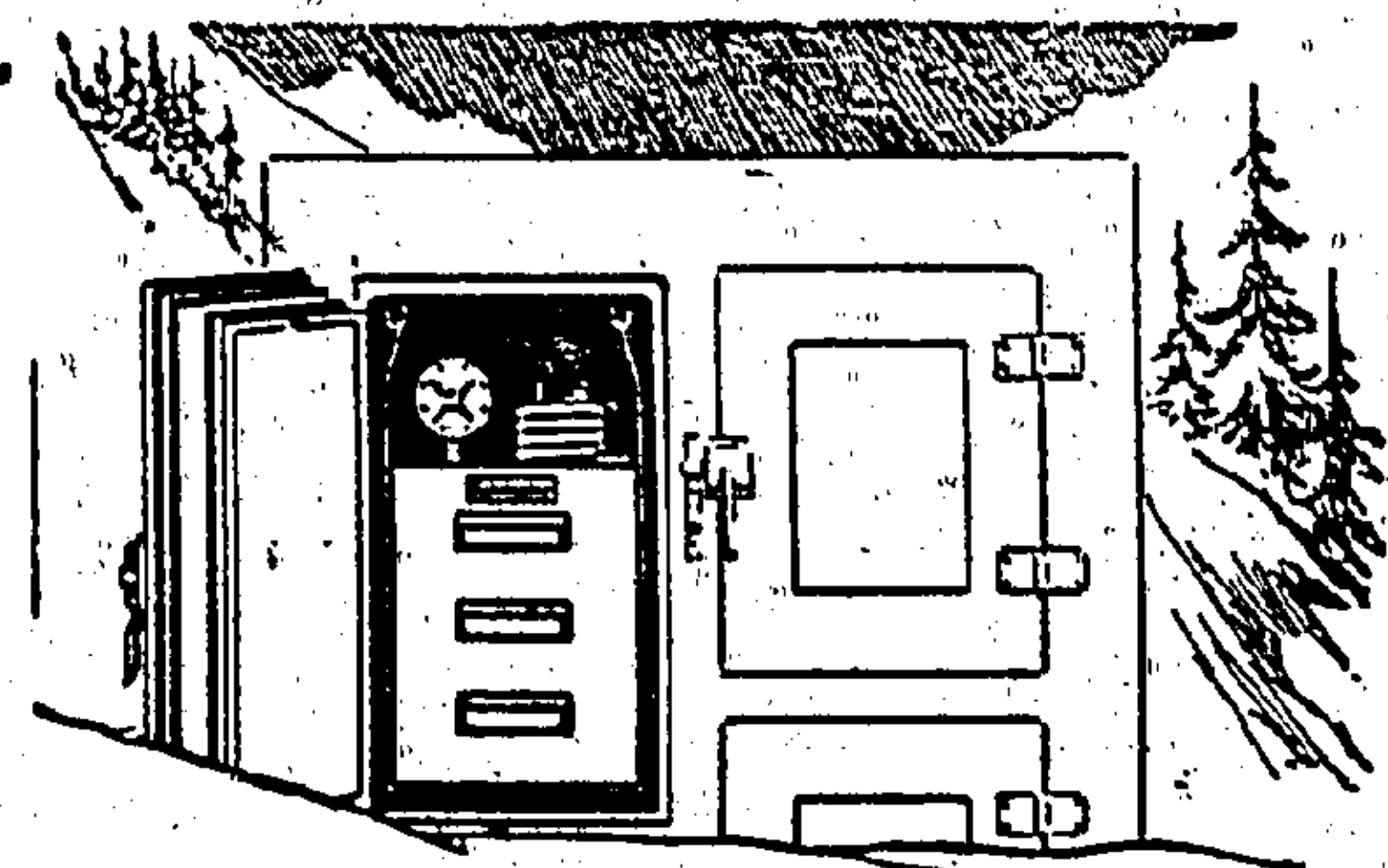
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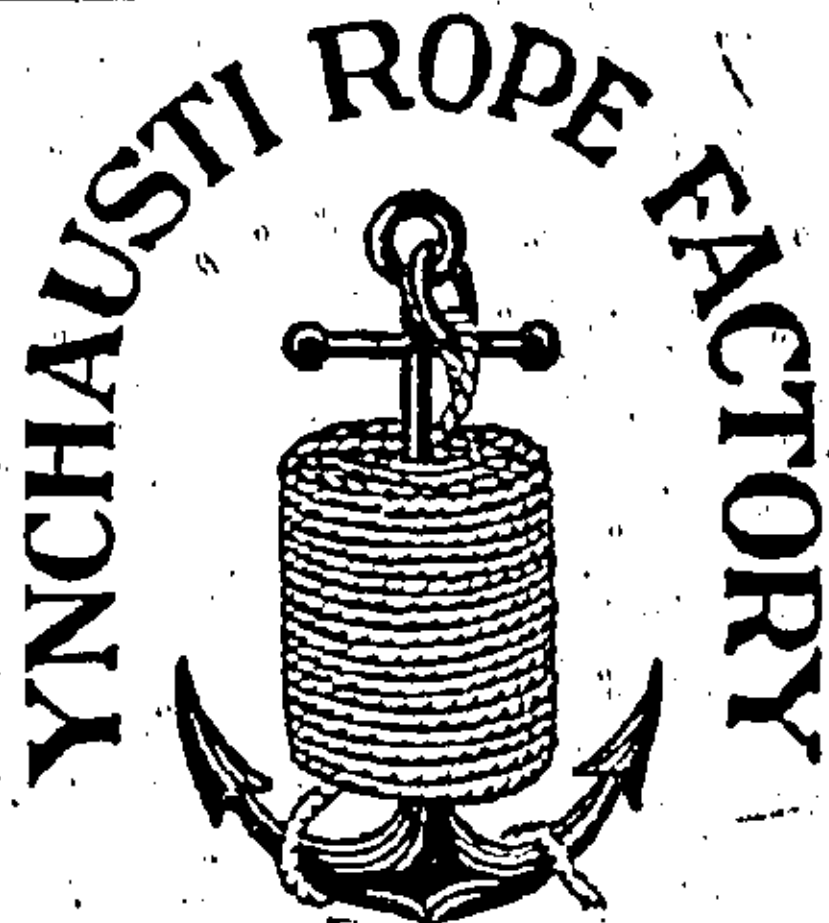
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DAYS OF BUSHRANGERS RECALLED.

After 20 years, Lambeth Regatta is to be revived.

Sir Harry Lauder has given £100 to the fund of the Soldiers' Home, Glasgow.

For the sixth year Sonning lock, Reading, has been awarded the challenge cup for the best-kept lock garden on the Thames.

The Duke of York is to visit Hford on October 21st, when the granting of the Charter of Incorporation to the town will be commemorated.

A part of 30 cadets of the Argentine Navy visited Portsmouth dockyard, and were shown over the Victory and the battle-cruiser Hood.

In the Scottish National Shoot at Inverness, Scotland beat England in the contest for the Ian Hamilton challenge cup by 2,333 to 2,331.

At the opening of the cricket match between Worcestershire and Derbyshire at Kidderminster the rival captains were introduced to Mr. Baldwin.

Such figures as are available, the Home Secretary states in a Parliamentary answer, do not appear to support the suggestion that wife desertion is increasing.

Sir Edward Elgar figured as ballet composer at the London Coliseum, when a new ballet to his music based on Little Boy Blue was produced, with Anton Dolin as Boy Blue.

The two Royal Air Force flying boats, Sticks and Sticks, which left Plymouth for a cruise to Egypt and Cyprus, returned to Plymouth after a magnificent flight of 7,000 miles.

A serious scarcity of water is being experienced in South Devon, and in some parishes consumption has to be cut down by a half. Paignton, Teignmouth, and Brixham are affected.

John Bell, a Communist member of the Middlesbrough Board of Guardians, was remanded at Middlesbrough on a charge of committing an act likely to cause public disaffection.

Messrs. John Samuel White and Company, of Cowes, have received an order from the Southern Railway for a paddle steamer for the passenger service between Lynton and the Isle of Wight.

The famous war "bus," "Ole Bill," brought up the rear of the funeral procession of a driver named Beck at Brixton some of the dead man's colleagues acting as pall bearers in white overalls.

Police Constable William Wakefield, who has completed his last period of duty at York House, and is retiring on superannuation allowance, was presented by the Prince of Wales with a silver watch.

A number of women delegates at the I.L.P. Summer School at Easton Lodge complained that co-operatively produced clothing did not keep pace with modern fashions in design, colour and appearance.

The residents of Hassocks, a village a few miles from Brighton, have appealed to the chief constable of East Sussex for additional police at holiday times to check hooligans who steal fruit and destroy growing crops.

A proposal that the Tailors and Garment Workers' Union should send a delegation to meet the Russian Clothing Workers' Union was defeated at the Leeds Conference of the Tailors and Garment Workers' Union.

A number of Labour members have introduced into Parliament a Bill to give Home Rule to Scotland, with a single-chamber Parliament of 148 members, and providing that no M.P.s for Scotland are to remain in the Imperial Parliament.

The present Mayoress of West Bromwich, Mrs. Grace Cottrell, has accepted the Mayoress for the coming year. Her husband, the present Mayor, will be Deputy-Mayor, and Mrs. Cottrell has nominated her elder daughter, Miss Aileen Cottrell, as Mayoress.

Colonel Stewart and his wife, well known at Brooklands motor track, riding alternately, a French motor-cycle with a 350 c.c. British engine, on Monthléry track, Paris, broke the 24 hours' long-distance record of 58.83 m.p.h. held by Italy. They averaged 62.3 m.p.h. for the 24 hours.

"It is a disgrace that a man who has done so well should be in this position," said Judge Sir Thomas Granger at Greenwich, when Frederick Hide, who fought at Zeebrugge, was sued by the L.C.C. for non-payment of rent on account of unemployment. His Honour made a public appeal that the man might be found a berth.

At the Congress of Esperanto held at Edinburgh at a special service in St. Giles' Cathedral all the acts of worship, praise, prayer and preaching were carried out in Esperanto. The manuscript of the Bible, translated for the first time into Esperanto, was dedicated by the Rev. Dr. Graham Bailey, Reader in Asiatic Languages in the University of London.

The Australian Commonwealth Government having issued a writ against the South Australian Government and the South Australian Commissioner of Taxes to restrain them from taxing petrol sales on the ground that such tax is invalid under the Constitution, the South Australian Government is suspending its proclamation reducing the petrol tax from threepence to one penny.

A Lakeland postman who has many remote farms to serve among the hills usually has an hour's dozen in the open if the weather is hot after his morning delivery, and has adopted a novel way of being awakened. Lying beside a lake he removes his boots and socks and stretches full length with his feet just near enough to the water's edge for his toes to be tickled by the wash from a

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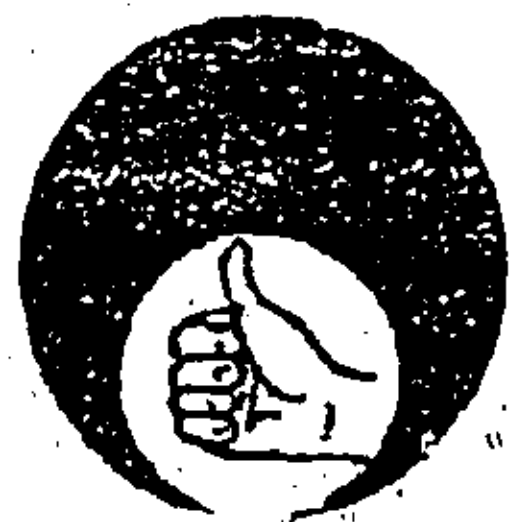
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POSITION IN RUSSIA.

RENEWED REPORTS OF REVOLT.

STRICT CENSORSHIP.

The strictness with which the censorship has been applied in Russia for many months past has suggested that all was not well with the Soviet régime, says the *Daily Telegraph* of August 12th.

The recent dismissal of Zinovieff and Lashevitch as conspirators seemed to indicate that matters had come to a head, and, while the situation is still somewhat obscure, it would appear that something in the nature of a counter-revolutionary movement has been in progress for some time past in this land of espionage and mystery.

Wholesale Arrests.

The gravity of the position can be judged by the character of the measures which the ruling clique have taken to grapple with it. It is stated that more than 500 arrests have been made in Moscow alone, while those effected in Leningrad are reported to be in the neighbourhood of 1,500. Rumour even declares that many officers of the Red Army have come under condemnation, that the Soviet Baltic Fleet has been sent to sea as a precautionary measure, and that even Commissars have been deported for complicity in the latest "plot," for which Zinovieff and Lashevitch were held to have been responsible. We need not accept too literally all the stories which are leaking out of Russia, but the tone adopted by the official organs of the Government in denouncing the malcontents who have opposed the policy for which Stalin stands is sufficiently illuminating, even if it were not established that the OGPU, formerly known as the Cheka, had received instructions to seize everyone who is not loyal to the predominant group.

"Destroyers of Communist Unity."

It now appears that Dzerjinsky was engaged in a fierce denunciation of "the destroyers of Communist unity," whom he declared to have been "responsible for the ruin of Russia's trade and industry," as well as for "the present precarious internal political and economic situation," when he was overtaken by the illness which led to his death a few hours later. The correspondent of the *Chicago Tribune* declares that "the fight within the ranks of the Communist party, which since the death of Lenin has been proceeding behind closed doors, has now come into the open, and the warring groups of Communists are now battling for control of the Soviet Government."

The Irony of the Position.

The exact cause of this commotion has not hitherto been very clear. But we are now informed that the malcontents "accuse Stalin's group of becoming nationalists, declaring that they are even willing to disband the Third International, modify the foreign trade monopoly, and recognise the foreign debts in order to obtain loans and credits from abroad." No serious attempt is made to deny these accusations. The irony of the position, if this be the true reading of events, is that the men who are being treated as traitors are those who can claim that they are the defenders of the doctrines which were proclaimed by Lenin himself. They are the apostles of the world revolution, who have been plotting in every State, near and far, in the hope of spreading the pure gospel of Leninism. They have been pouring out money lavishly on propaganda, as we have been reminded by the sums paid to the Miners' Federation, and have been supporting hundreds of agents abroad at the expense of a Government which is itself so bankrupt that it cannot maintain its own administration or pay the sums due to the wage-slaves, as Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has called them, of the nationalised Russian industries. The theory in the early days was that Sovietism would infect the Capitalistic world, whereas experience has proved that Sovietism must at least make some concessions to Capitalism if it is to survive.

According to a message from Riga, the men now in power consider the salvation of their country from the further disasters which threaten it a more urgent matter than the dreams of a world revolution which the Third International has entertained with such desperate tenacity in face of repeated rebuffs from the other Socialist organisations of Europe. It is unlikely that the last has been heard of conspirators who include such men as Trotsky, Zinovieff, Kameneff, Medvedeff, and Sokolnikoff, and the probability is that the ferment will continue for some time. But in view of the policy of peasantry the prospect is that the policy of the party now predominant will prevail.

Economic Restoration.

It is significant that this correspondent should claim that "the entire Soviet Government apparatus still remains under the control of Stalin, who is supported by the peasantry and the majority of the workers," and that he should declare that "it is possible that the present split within the ranks of the Communist party means that the economic restoration of Russia will begin." If this statement can be accepted at its face value, nothing could give greater satisfaction to all the civilised nations. Though Russia has been brought to beggary, it is a land of vast potential wealth, and its re-entry into the comity of nations would be an event of world-wide import.

Economic reconstruction, however, waits on a frank and sincere avowal of the principles of common honesty. It involves a grand inquest on the results of the policy of spoliation which was practised at the expense of foreign business firms and investors, during and after the revolution, and a recognition of the claims of the foreign creditors. It also involves an abandonment of the Communist propaganda which, in face of repeated pledges to the contrary, has been revealed in an extravagant expenditure in all parts of the world. The British Government is prepared to deal fairly and courteously, and even generously, (Continued at foot of next Column.)

"MIGHT HAVE BEENS."

LESSONS FROM THE PAGES OF BIOGRAPHY.

A BEAUTIFUL THEORY.

(BY T.W. IN THE "BIRMINGHAM POST.")

"He was intended for the Bar (or perhaps the Church or medicine), but turned his attention to — something else. Quite half the biographies of illustrious men contain this passage somewhere near the beginning, and when one speculates on what might have happened to the world if a wise Providence had not fortuitously changed the course of the lives of our great men, it is with thankfulness that the existence of that divinity that shapes our ends is realized. Biography makes one wonder whether we are, or are not, our own masters, or rather should I say, it proves to us that hard as many of the subjects of biography tried to lead their lives in their own way, they at least were not their own masters, since there was usually something that prevented them taking the wrong turning, but which set their feet on the path that led to fame."

A Beautiful Theory.

Barnes and his projected trip to America, and Coleridge and his sojourn in the army, provide instances of the greater power that rescued them from their own inclinations, and saved them for the greater task that was their life's work. It is a beautiful theory, and a comforting reflection. It inspires confidence in the future. We can take fresh heart in our circumstances if we accept it. We may even take risks where caution is counselled, secure in the belief that we are absolved from the responsibility of trying to order our lives. Already they are mapped out for us!

I repeat, it is a beautiful theory. Yet the pages of biography testify to its existence as a fact. What a different world it might have been if it had happened that those with missions to perform had not been protected and kept steadfast to their purpose! That "if" dances before us with tantalizing attraction. There is material for a library in the quality of existence—the actual and the might-have-been. Somehow the might-have-been is always the more attractive of the two, probably because we can twist it to two fancies, and facts we cannot twist. Yet, when one comes to consider the facts of history in relation to the might-have-beens one ceases to be a dreamer. It all might have been so much worse!

There is a Divinity.

I shall always consider it a matter of something more than mere luck that ordained that Cecil Rhodes should early in life be threatened with consumption, and so found it necessary to journey to Africa forthwith, to lay the foundations of his career as an Empire builder. Similarly, it must be regarded as fortuitous that Admiral Blake joined the army first instead of the navy, since his sterling qualities as a leader and fighter first brought him to the notice of Cromwell, who ultimately handed over to him the task of rebuilding and restoring the sadly-shaken Fleet. And that Blake was a better sea-fighter than a land-fighter the history books bear witness. There is the case of Lincoln, whose nomination for the Presidency was in the nature of a political accident, and that of Washington, whose early destiny was that of a midshipman in the British Navy, but whose life was changed, with the ship about to embark, by a letter from his uncle advising his mother to keep young George out of the Navy, "where he would be treated like a dog." On the other hand, if the brother of Isaac Newton's mother had not urged her to send her son to Cambridge, the world probably would have lost one of its greatest mathematical geniuses. A biographer of Chopin says that "without Mme. Aurore Dudevant ("George Sand") he would never have risen to his great heights of imaginative composition," because she "found him, adopted him, and supplied him with inspiration, friendship and advice" at a time when Chopin's happiness and equilibrium were destroyed. And if Bunyan had not been lodged in Bedford goal for 12 weary years probably he would never have found the time in which to write his most inspired work.

Destiny.

So one could go on enumerating instances. On escapes from death that illustrious men have enjoyed there are even more, all bearing on the beautiful theory of destiny. John Wesley, in his youth, fell off a boat while asleep and missed death by a miracle. William Herschel's humble furnace collapsed and the future astronomer gained the door by seconds in front of the stream of white-hot metal that poured on the floor. James Simpson, the discoverer of chloroform, in the first stages of his work experimented on himself and nearly lost his life in the process. A large powder flask that Captain Cook was carrying ignited and exploded and shattered his hand. And mention of Captain Cook reminds me that the explorers, travellers, and soldiers and sailors who have missed death by inches at some period of their lives included every noted name in history. There are some of course, who have died in the hour of their triumph—Nelson, for instance, and Franklin and Livingstone. But is it not a somewhat remarkable circumstance that death came to them only when their life's work was completed, when there was apparently little left for them to do?

If biography has any lesson for lesser mortals, it is certainly that we should not be upset too readily by circumstances. It may be that we should be quite as favoured as the illustrious if circumstances warranted it. You never know! J.W.

with any Russia Government which honours its country's obligations. Western Europe needs Russia, if not so urgently as Russia needs Western Europe, with its stores of capital necessary for the regeneration of a vast country of almost boundless natural resources.

AN EVENTFUL WEEK.

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, PUBLISHED TO-DAY, IS FULL OF THE REPORTS OF THE EXCITING HAPPENINGS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF CHINA.

First came the action of the British Navy in Canton and Swatow against the Strike Pickets. After fourteen months delay the British Authorities have declared their intention to prevent pickets from endangering British lives and from interfering with goods on British Ships.

Mr. Eugene Chen's protest is given in full together with letters from correspondents describing the present situation in the Southern Capital.

There are detailed accounts of the fighting in Central China and the official statements regarding the capture of the British ships at Wauhsien and the steps taken to rescue the mercantile marine officers.

The issue is one which should be kept for purposes of record by business firms. Copies should also be sent to all people at Home having interests in China.

This week's issue also includes the details of Sir Paul Chater's will and the report of the death and funeral of Dr. Dalmahoy Allan.

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TRESPASSING IN DOCK.

FORMER WORKMAN CAUGHT THIEVING.

Taking advantage of his knowledge of the situation of the copper smith's shop at the Kowloon Docks, a Chinese who was formerly employed by the company, entered the main gate with the workmen on Thursday morning and, on going to the copper shop, collected a quantity of metal, which he proceeded to cut into small pieces. He was seen and arrested by one of the company's watchmen. When charged at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, Mr. J. H. B. Nibill passed sentence of one month's hard labour.

It was stated by Mr. "Kid" Marriot that the defendant had been previously employed by the Dock Company and gained admittance to the yard together with the other workmen. He had no right to be on the premises at all.

LUMBER FIRMS BOAT SINKS.

FIVE DROWNED, INCLUDING WOMEN.

Due to faulty loading, the steamboat *Aturias* of the Hercules Lumber Co., sank off the coast of Zamboanga three miles from Maniki Point early on the morning of September 4th, resulting in the drowning of four women and the chief engineer, according to a telegram received at constabulary headquarters from Zamboanga. The boat had a total of 21 crew and passengers. It carried 5,000 pieces of boards when the accident occurred, according to the telegram.

Those drowned were Clara Navarro, Tomas Francisco, Justina Vejerano, Emilio Koska, the chief engineer, and his wife. Private telegrams were received in Manila late Saturday afternoon about the accident.—*Manila Times*.

WEATHER REPORT.

AND TYPHOON NEWS.

The weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, stated:—

At 2 p.m. the typhoon appeared to be in about Lat. 25 N. and Long. 119 E., moving north.

Local forecast:—West winds, fresh, fair at first, rain later.

Manila Warnings.

The following telegrams regarding the typhoon were received from Manila yesterday by the American Consulate-General in Hongkong:—

9 a.m. September 10th:—3.30 p.m. in the 9th typhoon was in about 119 deg. Long. E. and 20 deg. Lat. N., almost stationary.

12.00 noon, September 10th:—At 10.45 a.m. on the 10th cyclone or typhoon was near or over the Southern part of Formosa Channel, moving N.N.W. or N.

THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

LAST SHOWING OF "ROLLING HOME."

At to-day's performances at the Queen's Theatre there will be the last screenings of "Rolling Home." Reference to this film, in which the irrepressible Reginald Denny appears so successfully, was made earlier this week. Having seen the picture, it can be truly stated that the film does not believe the advance press matter regarding it. In fact, it proves to be much better than even the "write-ups" indicated.

Reginald Denny, in "Rolling Home," is "a scream." How he sustains the role of a full-blown millionaire with less than six cents in his pocket, but comes out on top when he shows his home-town folk that a water-fall can be something more than a mere waterfall, is portrayed in a series of amusing scenes. Each stage of the story produces laugh after laugh, and particularly that in which the millionaire describes the natural resources. To those who have not yet seen "Rolling Home" we would recommend a visit to the Queen's Theatre to-day.

To-morrow Mabel Normand will appear in "The Extra Girl." This is a new Mack-Sennett production and Mabel is seen at her best in it.

RIVER LEVELS.

Bulletin from BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG.

Waterlevels (in English Feet) at 8 a.m.

Place of Observation.	1926		1925	
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West River at Shihshing.	+41.0	0	+29.9	+30.7
North River at Tangyuen.	+23.7	0	+5.3	—
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East River at Shihshing.	+15.2	-3	+2.4	+2.3

CHURCH NOTICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.
September 12th, 1926, 15th Sunday after Trinity.
Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Choral.
Matins at 11 a.m.
Preacher—The Lord Bishop of Victoria.
Evangelism at 6 p.m.
Preacher—Rev. H. A. Wittenbach. [97]

Union Church—Kennedy Road.
Sunday Services, September 12th:—
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Morning Service at 11 a.m.
Hymns: 108, 91, 739, 436 and 441.
P.S.A. in Lecture Hall at 4 p.m.
Evening Service at 6 p.m.:—
Hymns: 152, 84, 123, 602 and 341.
Preacher, Morning and Evening:—
Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

Wednesday, September 15th, at 8.15 p.m.—
Soldiers and Sailors' Christian Association.
Friday, September 17th, at 8.30 p.m.—
Christian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour.
Saturday Circle, September 11th, from 8 p.m. [98]

Fisher Church of Christ, Scientist.—
Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road.
Tram Station.
Sunday Service, September 12th, at 11.15 a.m.—
Subject—"Sovereignty"

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 8.30 p.m.
Reading, Lecture at above address, open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon; Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m. [99]

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

JAPANESE CLUB'S MOTOR LAUNCH.

PICKETS PREVENTING ITS USE.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, September 9th.

All is quiet in the city. Pickets are still active but it is more difficult to stop them now because so many have doffed their uniforms.

The Japanese Club have imported a new motor launch the *Kakome* but it is reported that the pickets will not allow it to go alongside any wharf or landing stage on the Honam or Canton side saying that it comes from enemy's country (Hongkong).

A "fee" was demanded but the Japanese refused to pay this. The Japanese Consul wrote a letter of protest to the Canton Foreign Office and the reply, according to my information, was that the matter was one which should be settled with the Strike Committee. Now I hear that there is to be a "bow-wow" with the Committee, but how the question will be settled I cannot say. The launch is still lying idle near the British jetty.

The Hongkong, Canton & Macao steamer from Canton yesterday brought an average cargo and about a hundred passengers.

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY FROM MACAO.

THE WANHSIEN INCIDENT.

The following telegram has been received by H.E. the Governor from H.E. the Governor of Macao:

"I offer Your Excellency profound sympathy loss of lives of Officers and men of British Navy Wanhsien incident."

H.E. The Governor replied:

"Your Excellency's message of sympathy is greatly appreciated in Hongkong; and I have communicated it to the British Naval Authorities."

OFFERED BRIBE.

GARAGE FITTERS HEAVILY FINED.

The serious charge of offering a bribe (of \$5) to Traffic Sergeant Hopkins was made against Chan Kan Sang, the leading fitter of the Hongkong Hotel Garage at Stubbs Road.

Another fitter, Tong Ki, was involved in the same charge and also on another count of using an unlicensed motor cycle combination.

Sergeant Hopkins said that he found the second defendant seated in the side-car of the cycle at Des Vaux Road Central early on Wednesday morning. The machine was driven by another fitter whom witness was endeavouring to trace. Witness allowed the cycle to proceed when he was told that the machine was out on trial after repairs in the garage, but this was found to be false. Continuing, witness said that he visited the garage in the afternoon and the first defendant attempted to smooth over matters by handing him the money.

Both defendants were fined \$100 each, or six weeks' hard labour, on the bribery charge. On the other count against the second defendant he was fined \$25, but on it being pointed out that he had been recently fined for attempting to obtain a licence by false pretences, the penalty was doubled, with four weeks' hard labour in default.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

FIGURES FOR AUGUST.

The monthly water return gives the storage in the reservoirs supplying the City as 2,034 million gallons against 1,950 million gallons on September 1st last year.

The consumption during August was 572 million gallons against 566 million during August, 1925.

At Kowloon storage on September 1st amounted to 453 million gallons against 427 million on the same date last year. The consumption during August was 83 million gallons against 74 million in August, 1925, there being a full supply during August in both years.

THE STRIKE PICKETS.

NO DESIRE FOR RE-ORGANISATION.

COMPLAINT AGAINST KUOMINTANG.

"WE HAVE TO CARRY ALL THE BLAME."

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Canton Strike Committee are opposing the Kuomintang's proposal that they should submit to some form of re-organisation. They are not anxious to have any more members of the Kuomintang associated with them for purely political purposes.

They state that at the beginning the Kuomintang purposely allowed itself to be dissociated in public from the Strike Committee so that the workers might carry all the blame if the movement against the imperialists should result in failure. They go as far as to suggest that it is the members of the Kuomintang who have been co-opted as it were on the Strike Committee who have been guilty of terrorising the helpless and unarmed civilians of Canton.

This is, in effect, the answer which has been given to the suggestion of the Kuomintang Executive Committee that the strikers should attend a conference with members of the Government Administration in order to introduce reforms into the movement. The Strike Committee say they will reform themselves and improve their organisation but apparently they do not want the help of the Kuomintang in this direction.

"War News."

So far there has been no serious fighting in any district and it is impossible to place any reliance upon the reports of military activities which come from all quarters. According to the Kuomintang Press Tapan Chow Yin Jen of Fukien will neither support Wu Pei Fu nor listen to the commands of Marshal Sun Chuan Fang. Moreover, it is added characteristically, he has not many troops if he did.

According to the Kuomintang reports again large Kuomintang forces have been concentrating near the Kwangtung-Fukien borders since September 3rd.

The Kuomintang in Canton is giving the credit of the capture of Kamechow in Kiangsi to General Lai Sai Wang, formerly an "anti-Red" but now a member of the Kuomintang. A cavalry force from General Li Chung Jen's 7th Army Corps assisted in the attack. From Kamechow, the "Reds" are marching towards Shichuan.

A recent military council in Canton is said to have decided to make Changchow, in Southern Fukien, the first "Red" objective in the military operations there.

In the Kuomintang military circles in Canton a feeling of dissatisfaction is growing because the troops of General Li Tsai Hsin, the acting Commander-in-Chief in the absence of General Chiang Kai Shek, are receiving their pay regularly, while the pay of others are far in arrears. General Li commands the 4th Army Corps with details in many parts of Kwangtung, especially the Southern Districts.

Judicial Reform.

The Kuomintang Judicial Commission in Canton has addressed a circular to all lawyers and jurists of the city asking for advice and suggestions for the reform of the local judicial system. Mr. Loo Hing Yuen, the Attorney-General in Canton, a position which he holds in conjunction with many others, has offered to resign the post. He is doing this, it is said, to meet the complaint of Dr. Chao S. Bok, the former Chief Justice of the Kuomintang Supreme Court, who is objecting to Mr. Loo holding so many offices.

Students' Propaganda.

Canton students going to the districts to do propaganda work will be given free passage on the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, according to an order from the management. The Canton Students' Union is to send ten delegations to the districts to preach late Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Three People's Doctrine and to spread the news of the success of the Northern expedition.

Pickets Examination Shed.

It is probable that the Canton Strike Committee's examination shed, which was formerly on the Tung On Steamship Company wharf, West Bund, near the Canton Customs House, will be removed elsewhere. It is thought now that it is too near the British naval forces to be quite convenient.

Mr. Wang Ching Wei.

Friends of Mr. Wang Ching Wei, formerly Chairman of the Kuomintang in Canton, are still trying to make a way for him to return to power in Canton, and there is much activity in this direction. Mr. Wang is an extreme Bolshevik, while General Chiang Kai Shek is regarded as a moderate, by many Cantonese. Mr. Wang went on "leave" nearly six months ago owing to disagreement with General Chiang on questions of policy.

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

A SENSE OF HUMOUR.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.")

Sir,—I am a constant reader of your leading articles and cannot but admire your high literary style and manner of expression. I cannot refrain from saying that your views are dignified and fair.

However, your short comment, "Good Offer" which appears in your issue this morning can be regarded as a joke rather than as a leading article. No sensible person will be led to believe that a Canton official contemplates to appoint the British Naval Officer who recently closed the port of Wuchow to be an Admiral in the Chinese Navy when he is dismissed by the British Government for his recent action. The attitude of the Canton Government towards the conduct of this officer may be gauged by the sharp protest sent to the British Consul in Canton and to a member of Parliament. It is impossible to conceive how a foreigner who has little respect for Chinese sensibility and self-respect can be appointed to a high position in the Chinese Navy, unless the government officials in Canton are looked upon as a group of children at play. It is perhaps due to the lack of understanding of the true Chinese mind that so many unpleasant incidents have been created.

I shall be glad if you will give my letter its due publication in your paper.

—Yours faithfully,

W. F. KUN.

Hongkong, September 10th, 1926.

[Ed. Note: We related the story as a joke and, in order to avoid any possible misapprehension on the subject, we stated at the outset that it was a joke. We could not do more. The story was too good to be missed. Now our worthy Chinese correspondent insists upon discussing it as a question of high policy. We accede to his request and publish his letter simply to show how easy it is to be misunderstood.]

POSSESSION OF ARMS.

JUNK MASTER CHARGED.

A charge of unlawful possession of two rifles, 285 rounds of ammunition, two wooden bombs and 163 detonators on board his boat at Lung Ku Tan, was brought against the master of a trading junk, before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

The defendant admitted the charge and said the arms were for his own protection.

It was stated that the defendant was suspected of having misused certain arms some time ago. He was believed to have sold some rifles to pickets and then reported to the Harbour Office that they had been washed overboard.

The case was adjourned till Monday when Mr. Leo d'Almada, appearing for the defence, will make a statement in mitigation of sentence.

Bail of \$8,000 was allowed.

FURTHER ROBBERIES.

EUROPEANS AGAIN VICTIMISED.

More thefts are reported as having occurred on Thursday.

One of the victims is Mrs. Ross, residing at Kingsclere Hotel, Kowloon. Apparently while she was away from her room during the tiffin hour, someone entered and stole a lady's gold watch, valued at \$100, a gentleman's watch, \$40; and a tortoise shell and gold cigarette case, \$35; the total haul amounting to \$175. A strange boy, who obtained entrance to the hotel on the pretence of delivering a letter is suspected.

Mr. R. O. Wilson, of the South China Morning Post, has reported that at 1 p.m. someone stole from his desk a black leather wallet, containing \$23 in money, a monthly tram ticket, a ferry pass, and other papers.

An Indian tailor entrusted a Chinese workman with \$100 to pay the house rent, but the money has not been paid and the workman cannot be found.

Floods Feared.

The water on the West River is rising rapidly and there is a fear that the annual floods this year will be greater than usual.

Rice crops in Kwangsi, for the most part, this season are good, and within the next two weeks large shipments from Wuchow to Canton are expected.

OBITUARY.

INSPECTOR C. M. DORRINGTON.

We regret to record the death of Mr. C. M. Dorrington, Sub-Inspector of Police at Mongkok, who died at Kowloon Hospital yesterday morning, after a week's illness.

The deceased was 33 years of age and was a native of Kent. In December this year he would have completed 15 years' service in the Hongkong Police. Besides his wife, and a four-year old son in Hongkong, the deceased leaves behind his father, 83 years old, who is at Home.

Mr. Dorrington was one out of 20 members recruited for local police service from the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry during the Chinese Revolution in 1911. When the trouble was over twelve of these went back to the Army. At the outbreak of the War, the remaining eight went to the front and at the conclusion of hostilities four returned to Hongkong, these being the deceased, Sub-Inspector Bloor (who relieved Mr. Dorrington at Central when the latter was transferred two months ago, to take charge of Mongkok Police Station), and Acting Inspector Hutchins.

Mr. Dorrington will be much missed by a host of friends outside the Force and by his colleagues, by whom he was held in popular esteem.

Military Funeral.

The funeral, which was carried out with full military honours, took place yesterday evening at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley.

Preceding the coffin, draped with the Union Jack and placed on a gun carriage drawn by Sergeants of the Police Force, marched a firing squad from the East Surrey Regt. and the Band of the East Surreys. As the coffin was borne into the Cemetery, the Band played Chopin's Funeral March. At the graveside a salute was fired and the Last Post was sounded.

The Rev. Copley Moyle, M.A., officiated.

The chief mourner was Mrs. Dorrington (who was present, despite her having been recently ill). She was accompanied by Mrs. Pincott, Mrs. Bloor, and Mrs. Elston.

Among others present were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P., Capt. H. F. Bloxham, Mr. Burlingham, D.S.P., Mr. C. G. Perdue, A.D.C.I., Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy, Chief Inspector C. Aris, Inspector J. Ogg, Sub-Inspectors Bloor, Alexander, Andrews, Watt, J. Clarke and other inspectors and sergeants of the Hongkong Police Force. Messrs. W. F. Hollands, W.M., S. R. Farlow, R. R. Wood, H. Rose, C. A. Grimes, E. J. Ellis, G. R. Holloway, F. W. Allen and K. Andrews, represented Masonic Lodges of which deceased was a member.

Wreaths.

Floral wreaths were sent as under:—"In Loving Memory of my Dear Husband from his Sorrowing Wife," "In Loving Memory of my Dear Daddie, from little Billie," the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.S.P., Bobbie, Maud and Ernest, Mr. T. H. King, Capt. Bloxham, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. Burlingham, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Grimes, Inspector and Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Inspector and Mrs. J. R. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. Langley, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollands, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and A. R. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. T. Peterson, Mr. McArthur, Mr. and Mrs. Ogg, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. G. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. A. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Elston, Mr. and Mrs. Goble, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cary, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dick, Messrs. E. G. Perdue, Bob Wynne, Saunders, P. Kellett, J. Chan, P. Grant family, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Field, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Millington, Mr. and Mrs. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Aris and family, Inspector and Mrs. Pincott, Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, Inspector and Mrs. S. Logan, J. H. McWalter, A. G. da Rocha, Inspector Bond and Sgt. Joy, E. Greenwood, Sgt. Hunn, Messrs. Riach and Harrison, T. Murphy, C.D.I., Inspector Hutchins, Inspectors Moss, Brennan and Spears, J. J. Walsh, P. J. Condon, J. Flattery, B. Flaherty, O. H. Cuff, P. Murphy, Sgt. Daly, Leo d'Almada e Castro, Officers of the Fire Brigade, Hunghom Police Station, Interpreters at Mongkok, Inspectors Mess. Yaumati, Sergeants Mess. Shamshing, Lance-Sergeants Mess. Yaumati, Sergeants Mess. East Surrey Regt., Officers and Brethren of the United Mark Lodge, European R.O.C., Sergeants Mess. Central Indian Inspectors, Sergeants Mess. No. 7 Police Station, Sergeants Mess. No. 2 Police Station, and the Royal Naval Yard Police.

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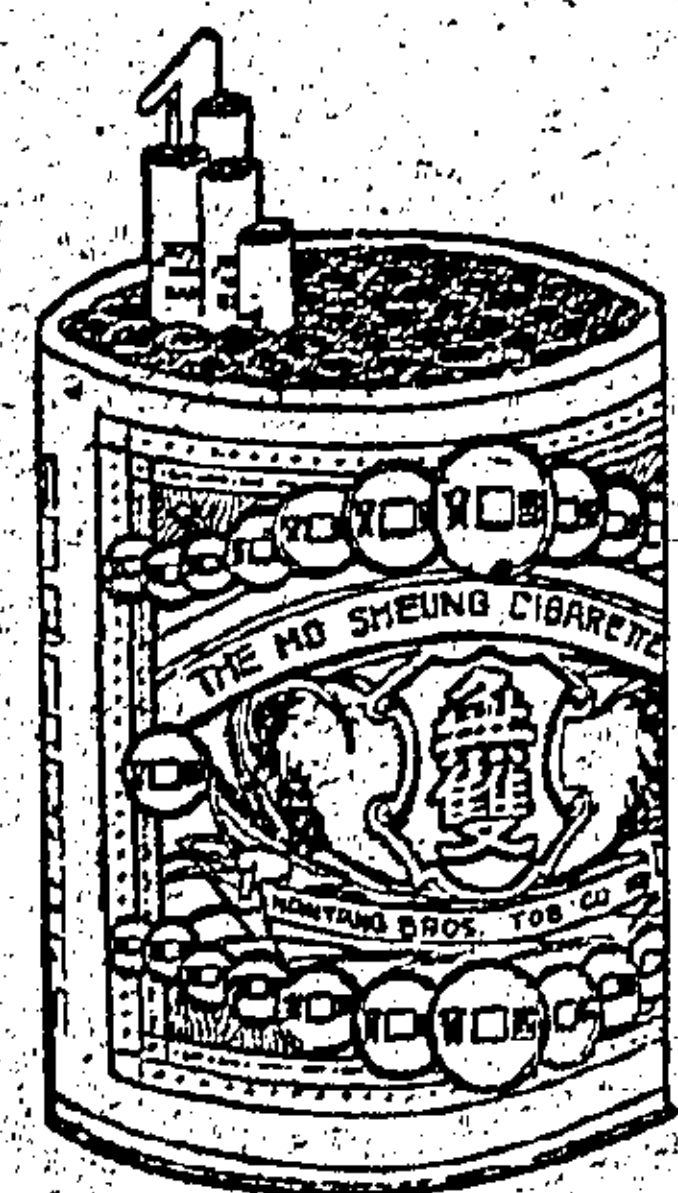
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Bearers of Debentures are invited to Attend the Drawing.
By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1926. [3818]

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THE FOREIGNERS' POINT OF VIEW.

H.M.S. *Hawkins*, with the British Admiral on board, has arrived at Hankow and we may expect, therefore, that reprisals will be taken, if there is any wanton shooting at British ships. Yesterday we referred to the admission made by the *New York Times*, in connection with the murder of an American citizen at Wanshan two years ago, that on Chinese rivers Americans were often dependent on the protection of British and Japanese naval craft. Now it is reported that American destroyers have been hit by machine-gun and rifle fire, and that two American sailors have been wounded. In such a case we presume the Americans will take energetic measures to protect themselves. It may be, therefore, that one outcome of all this trouble will be some concerted movement by all the Foreign Powers concerned. Certainly this step is long overdue.

General CHIANG KAI SHEK's proclamation regarding the protection of foreigners was quite probably sincerely conceived, but proclamations are of little value in themselves. They must be carried into effect, and the responsibility for the safety of non-combatants rests entirely on the belligerents. If it is proved, as is now suggested, that the Southern forces, or any other forces for that matter, have deliberately fired upon foreigners, a definite act of war has been committed for which, in the absence of a Government, the principal Army Commander must be held to account. No one

wants Great Britain to declare war on China, but foreign Governments must demonstrate in some convincing manner that they can and will protect their nationals if an unprovoked attack is made upon them.

As we have said before, it matters little to the foreigner what form of Government is set up providing it is a Government which will function and maintain order. Although the Chinese themselves apparently will not believe it the foreigners are entirely unconcerned with China's domestic troubles and the last thing they desire is to be drawn into them. If it is CHIANG KAI SHEK's destiny to occupy the position of President or even Dictator of the Country he would receive a warm welcome from all sides if he could show that he was able to keep the peace. But whilst the parties are fighting for place and power there is one rule which all must observe. It is that wrong and injury shall not be done to law abiding people. The presence of H.M.S. *Hawkins* at Hankow is evidence, we trust, that the British Government mean to see such a rule is honoured as far as British subjects are concerned.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT
AND BRITISH FILMS.

It seems obvious from the latest details to hand regarding the British film trade that it is hopeless to expect the industry to agree upon any voluntary scheme for stimulating British films. The Joint Trade Committee appointed some months ago by the various sections of the trade have been unable to make any recommendations that would be likely to produce an agreed scheme. The object of such a scheme is entirely commendable. It is to increase the quantity and proportion of British films screened in the United Kingdom and elsewhere, to establish an industry under British control in the United Kingdom for the production of these films, and to encourage the production of such films as would give employment to British labour at home, and increase the prestige of the British name, British institutions, and British manufactured products at home and abroad. The Committee's report leaves no doubt that a serious attempt was made to reach agreement, but almost from the first those in England who are in a position to know, predicted failure, because, as we have pointed out in previous articles, the trade is virtually in the grip of the American film producers.

The position now is that responsibility for reform passes out of the hands of the industry and is thrown upon the Government. In London well-informed opinion considers that Government action will take the shape of legislation to enforce a compulsory "quota." The meaning of the quota is, of course, that all cinema houses would be required to screen a specified number of British films in proportion to foreign films. At present not more than 5 per cent. of the pictures shown are British. Sir PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER, President of the Board of Trade, replying to a question in the House of Commons recently, stated that it was intended that the whole question should be discussed at the Imperial Conference. No doubt, the British film companies would prefer a subsidy, but this has been flatly refused by the Government. There have been several failures of British film companies recently, and it is considered that in all the circumstances the quota is the only practicable means of keeping film production going in Britain.

The discussions about films, although barren of practical result, have served one supremely important object. Public opinion has been stirred up. This is a slow process in regard to almost any question, but it is especially the case where the film trade is concerned. The majority of the twenty million individuals who attend cinemas in Great Britain every week accept what is screened without bothering their heads about the origin of the picture. They have been taught by clever publicity to think America is the only country capable of making first-rate pictures, and they accept what is put before them, unconscious of the fact that they are being subtly alienated from

true British ideas. One of the London papers in an editorial entitled "The Film Deadlock," puts the matter tersely by stating "the lack of British films is most detrimental to the prosperity and dignity of Great Britain abroad. The American monopoly of the cinema theatres of Great Britain and the Empire generally is definitely harmful to the mental and moral health of the British public."

We are glad to know that the subject is exciting interest in the Dominions. A proof of this is that it will be considered at the Imperial Conference which assemblies in London in October. One of the aims is to prevent the Dominion screen being monopolised by the American product. An organisation which was recently inaugurated as the British Empire Film Institute proposes actively to promote the exhibition of British films by publicity and an appeal to patriotism in the Dominions, Crown Colonies and Dependencies. At a meeting in support of the Institute, held at the House of Commons, Sir COOPER RAWSON, M.P., truly said, "foreign films are flooding Canada, Australia and other parts of the Empire to the detriment of British interests. We ought to circulate throughout the Empire British ideals and British morals to counteract the effects of this insidious propaganda." That is a sentiment that will meet with full acceptance on the part of Britons at home and abroad.

The Colony had a clean bill of health as far as notifiable diseases were concerned for the 24 hours ended September 8th.

The 30th ordinary annual meeting of the shareholders of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company, Ltd., is announced to take place on Saturday, September 25th.

All club and service hockey officials wishing to arrange fixtures for the coming season are asked to be present in the lecture room at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.45 p.m. on Monday, September 20th.

After being bitten by two dogs, a Chinese, aged twelve, has been taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The dogs were captured by the police and have been sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

On the application of Inspector Pin-cott, the deportee who ran amok and killed another, on board the s.s. *Talamba*, was formally remanded by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on a charge of murder.

Charged with snatching a gold bangle from a small child whilst travelling on a bus to Kowloon City on Thursday, a Chinese passenger, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

The case in which a Sanitary Department coolie was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy, with the manslaughter of a hawker, who is alleged to have been killed at the results of being prodded with a broom by the defendant, has concluded, the coolie has been committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions by Mr. J. H. B. Nihill.

Some time ago the Hongkong Government experimented with the method of indicating street names by inlaying block letters at corners, principally at Queen's Road and Pedder Street. The lettering, however, was black, and soon became obscured. Now white lettering is being put in, and close to the wall so as to avoid the traffic.

The name of Dr. G. D. R. Black was, by an oversight, omitted from the long list of names of those attending the funeral of Dr. Dalmahoy Allan on Thursday. Dr. Black was present as a personal friend of the deceased and also as representing the British Medical Association (Hongkong and China Branch) of which he is the acting President.

The sequel to the seizure of arms on board the s.s. *Haihung* on Thursday was heard before Major O. Willson, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when two men were charged with possession of two automatics, one revolver, and forty-three rounds of ammunition. Sub-inspector Lance applied for a three days' remand in police custody, and this was granted.

Mr. W. W. Herbell, C.I.E., M.A., vice-chancellor of Hongkong University, was expected in Kuala Lumpur on the 2nd inst., with Professor Lai Chi Hec, Professor of classical Chinese.

Invitations have been issued by the Committee and members of the Chinese Recreation Club in connection with the annual "At Home" of the Club which is to be held on Saturday, September 18th, at the Club, Causeway Bay, commencing at three o'clock. The programme will include Champions of the Tennis League v. The Rest, and the distribution of prizes by Lady Clementi. By kind permission of the Officers, the band of the 5/2 Punjabi Regiment will be in attendance.

Among the passengers who will leave on the Dollar liner *President Pierce* for San Francisco to-morrow is Dr. R. W. Hart, the United States Public Health Officer in Manila. Dr. Hart is accompanied by his wife and is going on leave. Mr. E. C. Waterhouse, a big rubber planter of Sumatra, is also leaving on the same liner for Honolulu. Lieut.-Commander G. W. Dugger, of the U.S.S. *Helena*, with his family is proceeding on Home leave by the *President Pierce*.

LATE MR. W. T. SHEWAN.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Mr. William Thomson Shewan, whose death we recorded on Thursday, took place at Happy Valley yesterday morning, the interment being at the Protestant Cemetery.

The service was conducted by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, M.A.

Mr. R. G. Shewan, the twin brother of the deceased, and Mr. I. W. Shewan were the principal mourners, and there were also present Mr. W. A. Stopani, Mr. E. M. Hazeland, Mr. A. R. F. Raven, Mr. W. Logan, Capt. R. Innes, Capt. Hall, Mr. F. W. Stapleton, Mr. G. P. Lammert, Mr. H. A. Lammert, Mr. Felix Ellis, Mr. F. Keating, Mr. C. Pryce, Mr. Fung Shiu Wa, Mr. A. H. Rowe, Mr. P. Wright, Mr. E. A. Long, Mr. Kelly Sayce, Mr. R. H. Charles, and many members of the staff of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes and Company.

The family wreaths were from "His loving and sorrowing wife," His sorrowing brother, Mr. R. G. Shewan, and his nephew, Mr. I. W. Shewan. Other floral tributes sent included those from—"Decades," anah, Mrs. H. R. Broome; Baron Adolphe and Charles De Braun; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Plunkett; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Charles; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cassart; Mr. and Mrs. Fung Shui Wa; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Goodall; Mr. Richard Hancock; Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung; The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall; Capt. W. G. Lawson; Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Lammert; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar May; Mr. and Mrs. Orton; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pryce; Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fenton-Raven; Mrs. A. S. Remedios; Mr. W. A. Stopani; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stapleton; Mr. A. L. Shields; Mrs. E. B. da Luz Sales; Miss E. Smith; Mr. R. D. Thomas; Mr. Tong Hok Ting; Mrs. Tong Lai Chuen; Mrs. Watts; Mrs. L. Weil and family; Messrs. Fung Ying, Chu Chiu, Fung Yee, Fung Leung, Chan Chong; Staff of Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co.; the China Light and Power Company; Committee and members of the Hongkong Club; Comrades of Staff of Messrs. Shewan & Company; Committee and members of the Share and Real Estate Brokers Society.

MUSIC AS A NUISANCE.

BAN ON OPEN WINDOWS IN VIENNA.

Vienna is a very musical city, but in spring and summer, when most persons play their instruments with their windows open, the result is a purgatory for the rest of the population, especially for the intellectual worker. All kinds of instruments from pianos to trombones are practised, and the numberless gramophones, lasting from early morning until late at night, prove an additional nuisance.

In response to an appeal from the Society of the Friends of Music, the police have issued an order that people shall close their windows while playing, with a fine of two Austrian schillings (about one shilling and twopence) on the disobedient. Many are sorry that the fine is so small.

Shot the Gramophone.

In this connection it is of interest to recall an episode in the life of an Austrian composer, Streicher, which occurred some years ago. Whenever he wanted to compose his neighbours opposite would start the gramophone.

The musician tried to come to some arrangement with them, but in vain. One day Streicher, driven to desperation, seized his gun and fired a shot into the gramophone, silencing it for good. Of course, he had a severe sentence, although no one was hurt, but popular opinion was greatly in favour.

ANOTHER CHANNEL
VICTORY.

FRENCHMAN REACHES DOVER IN
11 HRS., SIX MINS.

A RECORD.

(THROUGH BRUTER'S AGENCY.)

London, September 9th.

A Frenchman, named Georges Michel, has swam the English Channel, reaching Dover after being in the water 11 hours and six minutes.

LATER.

Michel has thus crowned numerous fruitless efforts in his attempts to swim the Channel by doing so in record time.

He started from Cape Gris Nez yesterday evening and arrived near Dover at 7.25 next morning. The sea was calm and the wind of the lightest.

Past Successes.

The following are the previous swimmers who were successful:

Captain Matthew Webb swam from Dover to Calais in 21 hours, 45 mins., August 24th and 25th, 1876.

Thos. William Burgess swam from Dover to Calais on September 5th and 6th, 1911, in 22 hours, 35 mins.

Fenry Sullivan, U.S.A., swam from Dover to Calais, on August 5th and 6th, 1923, in 27 hours, 23 mins.

Sebastian Tiraboschi, Italy, swam from Calais to Dover, on August 11th and 12th, 1923, in 16 hours, 53 mins.

Charles Toth, U.S.A., swam from Calais to Dover, on September 8th and 9th, 1923, in 16 hours, 54 mins.

Miss Gertrude Edeley, U.S.A., swam from Gris Nez to Kingdown on August 6th and 7th, 1926, in 14 hours, 30 mins.

Mrs. Clementine Corson, U.S.A., swam from Cape Gris Nez to Dover, on August 27th and 28th, 1926, in 15 hours, 40 mins.

Hans Vierkotter, Germany, swam from Cape Gris Nez to South Foreland Lighthouse, on August 29th-30th, in 12 hours and 42 mins.

THE DAVIS CUP.

U.S.A. v. FRANCE.

LACOSTE AND BOROTRA
DEFEATED.

(REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.)

Philadelphia, September 9th.

America's defence of her Davis Cup honours commenced at the Germantown Cricket Club, Philadelphia, to-day, the challengers being France.

In the first singles, Johnston defeated the French star Lacoste by three sets to one, and later on in the day Tilden overwhelmed Borotra in three straight sets.

Johnston defeated Lacoste 6-0, 6-4, 6-0. The deather was fine and cool when the players made their appearance on the court promptly at 2.30 p.m. Both players were warmly ovated by the occupants of well-filled stands. The Frenchman appeared ill at ease and worried. Johnston's amazing accuracy and his tireless driving gained him the first set without trouble, and he went to 4-1 in the second set, before Lacoste drew up to 3-4 but Johnston applied his big guns and clinched the set. The third set was a triumph for Lacoste's powers of recovery. He took firm command and Johnston became erratic finally abandoning his efforts and letting the set go 6-4.

Johnston regained his former brilliance in the fourth set and sent across a perfect hail of volleys and drives which Lacoste strove vainly to stem.

Tilden's Wonderful Display.

Tilden defeated Borotra, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3. The second event between Tilden and Borotra fulfilled all anticipations of lawn tennis fireworks. Tilden playing dazzling tennis. Borotra fought magnificently, some of his returns being especially enthusiastically applauded, but he could make little headway against Tilden's hair-line accuracy and cannon-ball service, with which the latter scored ace after ace. Frequently Borotra was left standing helpless but laughing on the baseline as the ball whizzed by. The crowd cheered him repeatedly as "a good sport." Borotra's great pluck actually carried him into the lead at 3-1 in the third set, but Tilden broke down his resistance and took the next five games.

ANOTHER CATHOLIC PRIEST
MURDERED.KUOMINCHUN SOLDIERS' OUT-
RAGES DURING THEIR
RETREAT.

(THROUGH BRUTER'S AGENCY.)

Shanghai, September 10th.

The Belgian Mission states that the retreating Kuominchun soldiers killed a Belgian priest, Father Lauwers, burnt three mission stations and plundered seven in the Apostolic Vicariate of Siwantze, to the north-east of Kalgan.

STILL FIRING ON FOREIGNERS.

VIGOROUS REPRESENTATIONS TO BE MADE.

JAPAN MAINTAINING A VIGILANT WATCH.

CABINET EMPOWERED TO ACT ACCORDING TO EXIGENCY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, September 10th.
This morning the Cabinet discussed the Chinese situation, but beyond agreeing as to the necessity of maintaining the most vigilant watch possible with regard to developments, decided that it was not yet time for Japan to consider any positive step, though empowered by the Foreign Minister to take any measure that might be deemed necessary in the event of exigency.

SHANGHAI, September 10th.
A Japanese report states that the Southern troops fired on H.M.S. *Beane* near Hankow, one shot taking effect.

More Firing on Foreigners.

HANKOW, September 9th.
Every foreign steamer entering or leaving Hankow constitutes a target for Southern bullets. Several Japanese and British ships have been severely riddled. The Jardine steamer *Tuckoo* suffered casualties when one Chinese passenger was killed and another wounded.

U.S. Destroyers Machine-Gunned.

SHANGHAI, September 10th.
A message from Hankow says the American destroyers *Stewart* and *Pope*, which arrived at Hankow on September 5th, were subjected to a stream of bullets from rifles and machine-guns when fifty miles down stream.

Two sailors were slightly injured.

Wuchang Still Holding Out.

HANKOW, September 8th.
The Allies have completely evacuated Hanyang and Hankow native city. Further fighting was at first feared, but the evacuation was carried out peacefully, though it is reported that the retreating Northerners looted several villages on the outskirts of Hankow. The situation here is remarkably quiet. The Southerners launched another attack on Wuchang last night, which was unsuccessful. Reports from foreigners inside the walls indicate that all are safe. The Southerners in Hankow have issued numerous proclamations assuring the populace of peace and protection and threatening evil-doers with execution.

Anglo-Japanese Action.

LONDON, September 9th.
The *Daily Telegraph* in an editorial declares that the situation in China demands an active policy on the part of the British Government, and its first course should obviously be to seek the co-operation of those who may be willing to give it and whose interests most closely coincide with our own. "The interests of Japan in China are as important to her as are those of our nationals to us, and she shares with us the distinction of being more bitterly attacked than the other foreign Powers by the Communists of the South and she regards the principles of the politics of Moscow with as much detestation as we. If unity of the

OUTBREAK IN ATHENS.

REPUBLICAN GUARD DISBANDED.

RING-LEADER TO BE COURT-MARTIALED.

ATHENS, September 9th.
An armed mob attacked the central telegraph office and exchanged many shots with the military guard. It is feared there were many casualties in the streets. Republican Guard Disarmed.

LATER.
It is semi-officially announced that M. Kondilis' Government's order for the disbandment of the Republican Guard was carried out this morning. The Guard, which is a separate force and independent of the army and was founded by M. Pangalos in order to support his dictatorship, refused to obey an order to lay down arms, and, consequently, the Government called on the regular army. After a few hours' skirmishing, in which there were a few casualties, the Guard surrendered unconditionally.

The Casualties.
ATHENS, September 10th.
Order has been restored. It is reported that 40 were killed and 100 wounded in the street fighting.

Treaty Powers is even now unattainable, common action with Japan should at least be feasible. The recent tendency of Italy's policy in China is shown in her opposition to the proposed surrender of the Mixed Courts in Shanghai, and this affords ground to hope that Italy will also associate herself in an effort to save the situation for foreigners in China."

Retention of Warships.

LONDON, September 9th.
According to the *Daily Mail*, the three British cruisers *Caryfort*, *Castor* and *Dartmouth* are due to leave England shortly with reliefs for the China Station, and if the position on their arrival warrants it, the ships to be relieved may be kept on the Station instead of returning home.

Steel Helmets for Chinese.

LATER.
The *Daily Mail* learns that a large consignment of British steel helmets was sent to China recently for the use of Chinese soldiers.

These helmets were used by British soldiers in the war and were sold to a London firm who consigned 30,000 to Marshal Chang Tso Lin. They were informed that the helmets were required for "ornamental purposes."

Vigorous Representations.

LATER.
As regards the situation on the Yangtze, Reuter learns that vigorous representations will be made to the proper quarter, though difficulty arises from the fact that the Chinese soldiery's action was brigandage and not due to the Government. In the meantime, any necessary immediate action will probably be left in the hands of the naval authorities on the spot.

Officials in London are at present at a loss to understand how such a small British force was able to effect the release of the imprisoned officers.

French Press Opinion.

PARIS, September 9th.
The Press is increasingly interested in the situation in China. The *Temps* admits that it will be difficult for Britain to let matters slide and draws attention to the serious position which has arisen in the sphere of foreign investments in the Far East in consequence of Canton Bolsheviks controlling nearly one half of China. It points out that this is not the first time that a common policy by the Powers has been contemplated, but hitherto difficulties have always been encountered, preventing effective action in this direction.

France Neutral.

LONDON, September 9th.
The *Daily Express*, Paris correspondent understands from the French Foreign Office that France will remain neutral in the dispute in China.

Later Details.

LATER.
Whether the latest rebellion was organised to facilitate the escape of Pangalos or whether it reached a more ambitious plane, the attempted revolution is still unknown, but the city endured most anxious hours at the height of the disturbances.

When the news of the threatened rising spread yesterday morning, Reuter's correspondent was interviewing Colonel Dertilis, the commander of the guard, who had just been stating that it was Kondilis and not the guard who had revolted, when shots rang out, and the region soon became the centre of a danger zone. Subsequently, firing was audible all round. Unorganised mobs and possibly Communists and Monarchists joined in. Some seized armoured cars, in which they drove, firing in the streets.

The Governmental artillery came into action by mid-day, and the mutineers later surrendered. The Republican Guard has been definitely disbanded and will be deported to various islands. The ring-leaders will be court-martialed.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GERMAN DELEGATES' RECEPTION AT GENEVA.

"END OF THE WAR."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, September 9th.
The German delegation was given a memorable reception at Geneva.

Dr. Stresemann, Herr Schubert and others leant out of the carriage, smiling and waving acknowledgement of the cheers of large crowds who were waiting for their arrival at the station for an hour, though there were few officials present. Gendarmes had to divide a throng of journalists and photographers to permit the Germans to reach their car. They drove off amid renewed cheers, and were greeted with similar scenes on arrival at the hotel.

For an hour after the arrival of the German delegation, crowds of spectators remained round the hotel Metropole.

Dr. Stresemann declined to make a statement pending the declaration of the Assembly to-morrow, but another member of the German delegation said "This is really the end of the war."

Germany's Policy.

LATER.
Dr. Stresemann, though he originally refused to speak, subsequently received the Press and said that the policy of Locarno had been transferred to Geneva and with the entry of Germany into the League, the Locarno agreements came into force. The question of the number seats on the League Council was immaterial, provided the League accomplished good work. The world could be assured that Germany would co-operate in the work of the League and in the reconstruction of Europe after the terrible war. He concluded by thanking the journalists for their fair treatment of German policy.

Germany's Attitude.

GENEVA, September 10th.
Numerous would-be spectators of Germany's installation to the League were crowded out as the public galleries were packed by an early hour. Cameras clicked as the delegates craned their necks to get a view of their new colleagues, and amid the excited buzz, the president's bell was inaudible.

Dr. Stresemann, in a speech, expressed his heartfelt thanks for the reception accorded, and emphasised that they were now entering into close co-operation with former opponents, which probably was one of the most important steps ever taken. He was convinced that Germany's entry was based on a firm foundation, and that it promised fruitful results. He concluded with an assurance of Germany's wholehearted co-operation with the League, which, he hoped, Spain and Brazil would rejoin.

M. Briand's Fine Speech.

GENEVA, September 10th.
The delegates stood and cheered thrice at the conclusion of the speech of M. Briand, who paid a tribute to Dr. Stresemann and Sir Austen Chamberlain, whose joint labours had made the Locarno Pact possible. M. Briand added that France and Germany had put the bloody encounters of the battlefields behind them, and would in future take their difficulties to that Justice of Peace—the League of Nations.

What Latin-America Wants.

HAVANA, September 10th.
President Machado has instructed the Cuban delegates at Geneva to decline the offer of a semi-permanent seat in the Council and to countenance no offer except that of a permanent seat. The President's action is the outcome of a circular from Brazil, addressed to Latin-American countries regarding a permanent seat for Latin-America.

MR. ANDREW MELLON IN LONDON.

LONDON, September 9th.
Mr. Andrew Mellon, U.S. Financial Treasurer, whose activities in Europe are shrouded in secrecy, has reached London and has privately conferred with Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer. It is reported that he has also conferred with Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, and that he shortly returns to America.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI UNIONS.

STATEMENT AT TRADE UNION CONGRESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, September 9th.

The Trade Union Congress Secretary, Mr. Citrine, replying to a criticism of the General Councils report on the Trade Union situation in Hongkong and Shanghai, said they had received information from various sources to the effect that there were approximately 300 separate Trade Unions in those areas, but they were unable to authenticate that information; and the suppression of Unions in Shanghai was evidence that Trade Unionism there was practically non-existent.

Canton's Distinction.

LATER.
The Trade Union Congress at Bournemouth rejected a motion with reference to the sending back of the General Council's report on trade unionism in China. The mover of the motion referred to the suppression of the trade union in Shanghai, and said the only place in China where trade unionism flourished was Canton.

A United Trade Union "International" Wanted.

LONDON, September 10th.
The Trade Union Congress, by a substantial majority, resolved to urge the General Council to continue their efforts to create a single united Trade Union International body.

TROOPING CHANGES.

DETAILS OF PROGRAMME.

LONDON, September 9th.
Two troopships, each carrying approximately 1,500 officers, soldiers and families, will leave Southampton during the next few days.

The first is the s.s. *Nenasa*, which will sail on September 14th, with drafts for India and which will return early in November with details from India.

The second is the s.s. *Nauralia*, which will sail on September 17th and take the 6th Heavy Battery to Malta, the 1st Somerset Light Infantry to Egypt and drafts for Ceylon, Malaya and North and South China. She will pick up the 23rd Heavy Battery at Malta and the 2nd Scottish Borderers at Port Said for Hongkong where, on October 27th she will embark the 1st East Surreys for India and the 25th Heavy Battery for Singapore. On the return journey home, she will bring back details from North and South China, Malaya and Ceylon.

THE FRENCH FRANC.

EFFECT OF SEASONAL TRADING.

PARIS, September 9th.
The sudden fall of the franc from 184.40 yesterday to 159.65 to-day is not regarded here as abnormal, but is attributed to the fact that traders are buying appreciated currencies in order to cover themselves before the tide of autumn trade sets in. It is stated that over one million dollars were bought on behalf of wheat importers.

EGYPTIAN OPIUM.

DISPOSING OF LAST CROP.

CAIRO, September 9th.
The Government is buying the existing opium crop for £200,000, and hopes to find a purchaser for the whole crop. Poppy growing in Egypt will henceforth be prohibited.

BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.

HOUSING SITUATION.

BRITAIN'S HIGHLY SATISFACTORY POSITION.

RUGBY, September 9th.
Sir Kingsley Wood, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, reviewing the housing situation at the Sanitary Inspectors' Conference, said that last year's building constituted a record for the country and that more houses were now being built than were required to meet the needs of the annual growth of the population.

Since the war 606,435 houses had been built and it was significant that of that great total no fewer than 438,905 were built by private enterprise. He believed that these figures were unequalled by any country.

Daily Press Cricket Competition.

Selecting the Hongkong Interport Team.

First Prize	\$200
Second Prize	50
Third Prize	25

WE ARE PRINTING BELOW THE FIRST COUPON FOR THE COMPETITION WHICH HAS BEEN ADVERTISED DURING THE PAST FEW DAYS.

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS—SERIES A, B AND C. A COUPON FOR SERIES A WILL APPEAR IN EVERY COPY OF THE PAPER ISSUED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 11th. TWENTY LISTS OF PLAYERS MAY BE SENT IN UNDER SERIES A. EACH LIST MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COUPON, BUT A COMPETITOR NEED NOT WRITE SEPARATE LISTS IF HE WISHES TO STAND OR FALL BY HIS ORIGINAL SELECTION.

ONE LIST ACCOMPANIED BY TWENTY COUPONS, WILL BE JUDGED AS TWENTY LISTS, OR ONE ACCOMPANIED BY TEN COUPONS AS TEN LISTS, AND SO ON, AND POINTS WILL BE GIVEN ACCORDINGLY.

(The Rules of the Competition were fully set out in the "Daily Press" of August 26th, 28th, 30th and 31st.)

ALL SERIES A LISTS MUST BE SENT TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS" ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15th. THE COMPILATION OF THESE LISTS WILL DOUBTLESS PRESENT CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY, BUT IT SHOULD BE REMEMBERED THAT DOUBLE MARKS ARE EARNED BY CORRECT SELECTIONS. SERIES A, THEREFORE, PROVIDES EXPERT JUDGES WITH A GOOD CHANCE TO ESTABLISH A LEAD IN THE COMPETITION.

Coupon

HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

Cricket Competition

Series A. September 11th, 1926.

A MAXIMUM OF 40 POINTS MAY BE SCORED BY 10 LISTS IN SERIES A, TWO POINTS BEING GIVEN FOR EACH CORRECT SELECTION ON EACH LIST.

THE CRISIS IN NICARAGUA.

AN APPEAL TO U.S.A.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, September 10th.
Following the receipt of a memorandum from Washington, President Chamorro decided to solicit the good offices of the American *Chargé d'Affaires* to end the revolt.

ESTHONIAN POLITICS.

HEAVY SENTENCES ON COMMUNISTS.

REVAL, September 9th.
M. Abramson, the leader of the new Workers' Party and an ex-socialist member of Parliament, who was arrested on April 20th, when it was alleged he was receiving instructions from a representative of the Moscow International who was conducting Communist propaganda in Esthonia, has been sentenced to eight years' penal servitude, and four of his associates have been sentenced to penal terms, ranging from three years to ten years.

VALENTINO'S WILL.

LEAVES OVER A MILLION DOLLARS.

LOS ANGELES, September 9th.
The late Rudolph Valentino's estate is valued at over one million dollars, of which he bequeathed one-third to Mrs. Teresa Werner, aunt of his former wife Winifred Hudnut. The latter he cut off with one dollar. His remembrance of Mrs. Werner is believed to be due to her loyalty to Valentino, when he separated from his wife.

LATER.
Valentino's will does not mention his first wife, the remaining two-thirds being divided equally between Valentino's brother and sister.

NICARAGUAN REVOLT.

REBELS DEFEATED IN SEVEN-HOUR BATTLE.

NEW YORK, September 9th.
A message from Managua says that a seven-hour battle at Somotillo resulted in the defeat of 800 Nicaraguan revolutionaries, with the loss of 30 killed, including General Pedro Grillo. Fifty were wounded. The Government losses were eight killed and 20 wounded.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DUTCH RAILWAY DISASTER.

THE HAGUE, September 9th.
Three persons were killed, ten seriously injured and a number slightly injured by the derailing of a passenger train near Leyden.

Well-Known Actress Killed.

LATER.
Those killed by the railway derailment at Leyden, include Lobo Brakensiek and his wife, a well-known Amsterdam actress.

VISUAL EDUCATION.

CINEMA FILMS IN AMERICAN SCHOOLS.

About four years ago, the National Education Association of America—a body existing for the advancement of educational methods—appointed a committee to consider the use of cinema films in elementary schools as a supplement to the existing system of education. The movement was started by Mr. George Eastman, of the Eastman Kodak Company and as a result of conferences with that company the committee has decided that the trial of cinema films shall be limited for the time being to fourth, fifth and sixth grades of the public national schools, and to six subjects, viz., geography, health and hygiene, civics, fine and practical arts, and general science.

Eastman Company's Generosity.

Some of the highest educational authorities in America we learn from the British Journal of Photography, have been recruited in the working-out of a programme for the making of educational films relating to these branches of knowledge, and the school authorities in ten towns have been selected for using and reporting upon the films to be issued. During this period of experiment, the Eastman Company, without charge, will send these schools the various sets of films, and provide the necessary apparatus for showing them. The schools on their part undertake to make reasonable use of the films, and to co-operate with educational committees in determining their value, their defects and how they may be improved.

Investigation Only.

The whole plan has been worked out in a way which will not interfere with the regular curriculum of a school, but will provide the necessary conditions for investigating the degree of success with which moving pictures may be employed in elementary education. The ultimate aim of Mr. Eastman is to establish an educational agency, which means, in turn, the provision of a film library in every school, with projection apparatus, at a price which it will be feasible for the schools to pay out of their normal resources.

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RUGBY SECESSIONISTS.

DISCUSSION AT H.K.F.C.
ANNUAL MEETING.GROUND AT THE VALLEY. "A
SHAME AND DISGRACE"MORRISON HILL POLICY
REFERRED TO

The secession of rugby players, the Government's policy with regard to Morrison Hill, and reference to the Club ground at Happy Valley, as being a "shame and disgrace to Hongkong Football," were among some of the interesting topics which came before the 35th annual general meeting of the Hongkong Football Club last evening.

The meeting was held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. There were about 40 members present, and Mr. W. Layan (the retiring President) was in the chair.

Mr. Layan was supported by the following:—Mr. J. Ralston (vice-president), Mr. H. M. McTavish (hon. secretary), Mr. R. W. Lee (hon. treasurer), Mr. G. Rodger (Association captain), Mr. J. McCubbin (chairman of committee) and Mr. J. Stewart.

Among those present were Messrs:—G. M. Shaw, A. Hamilton, D. J. Purves, D. Lyon, E. Ralston, O. A. Smith, P. W. Ramsay, S. H. Garrod, J. Watson, H. G. Howard, R. K. Duncan, and Mills.

Result not Bad.

Speaking with regard to the deficit of \$651.38 of the year's working, Mr. Layan mentioned the amount of \$1,030 incurred on the visit of the Interport Rugby team to Shanghai. This, he said, was only to be expected.

The stand had cost \$800 against \$650 the previous year. Football gear purchased had gone up from \$184.46 to \$474.55; printing and stationery had also increased.

The result was not very bad, remarked Mr. Layan, and added: "We still have our assets in the bank and can congratulate ourselves on a fairly successful year."

Mr. Layan proposed the adoption of the report and accounts, and the accounts and report were unanimously adopted.

At a Standstill.

The meeting was divided on the question of the election of the new committee. The rules stipulate not less than six and not more than thirteen.

"Here we come to a standstill," remarked the Chairman, who said he had thought about the matter and had gone into it with several of the older members.

Mr. Layan said he referred to the formation of the Hongkong Rugby Football Club, and pointed out that the H.K.F.C. started originally as a Rugby club. Association had come on and Rugby did not interest the public as much.

He thought that members had not been well advised in "partitioning" and "splitting." If they had come along to the committee, stating their views, something better might have been arrived at. The H.K.F.C. did not have a ground. He had seen the plans. A plot marked "P" had been set down to the Rugby Club and to South China, the "ruggies" to have its use on Mondays, Wednesdays and alternative Saturdays. This was not much good to the Rugby Club. If they had approached the committee and the committee, in turn, had approached the Government, they might have got a ground instead of sharing one with somebody else.

A Difficulty.

Mr. Layan also believed that the Rugby Club might not prove a financial success. Mr. G. G. N. Tinson had told him, however, that members of the Football Club who had joined the H.K.F.C. were likely to keep up their subscriptions to the H.K.F.C. Hitherto, Rugby members had worked strenuously in the Club interests and it grieved him to see the present step. They now came to a difficulty. The rules provided for a proportion of rugby members on the committee. He did not know what to do. Rugby members present had been asked but they could give him no information.

As to this, the ground at Happy Valley was bad, the speaker said that good "rugger" was played there in the old days and the ground was just as bad.

Vacancies Reserved.

Mr. J. McCubbin suggested, and later proposed that vacancies be reserved in the committee, to be filled later on. If the rugby section of the Club got "under way" their representatives could be added.

Play for Another Club.

Mr. D. Lyon pointed out that the Rugby Club already had their own committee. Mr. McCubbin said that he was present at their meeting. "Our rules are to elect a captain and vice-captain for rugby. I spoke to Mr. Tinson on the telephone this morning and he gave me to understand that the secretary of the H.K.F.C. would be present but he (the secretary) is not here. They will put their hands in their pockets and pay the \$5, but they play for another club."

Mr. J. Ralston seconded Mr. McCubbin's proposal, and added that four committee men be appointed by Rugby members, not by the H.K.F.C., the majority of members of which were not members of the Club. His idea was that they wait until the season started, when the vacancies could be filled.

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New President.

Proposing the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang as the new President, Mr. Layan said that he was a very old member of the Club. He regularly attended matches, took much interest in the Club's welfare and he was highly esteemed.

Mr. Ralston seconded and said that he associated himself with the Chairman's remarks. He did not want to bring in motives of utility, but he understood that Mr. Lang had refused the Presidency of the Rugby Football Club. That made him more desirable than ever, continued Mr. Ralston. His public position and his influence would also be beneficial, especially when they came to consider the construction of a club-house. As Morrison Hill was not coming down—and the Government's flat refusal in the past had been based on the event of it coming down, when their ground would be shifted—the possibility of their own club-house was near. (Hear, hear and applause.)

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang was unanimously elected President.

The motion to reserve places on the committee was then put and carried unanimously.

Vice-President.

Mr. McCubbin proposed Mr. Ralston as vice-President, and said that Mr. Ralston had already held the position with distinction. He was very keen, took a great interest in the Club, they had every confidence in him, and the Club would be well served.

Mr. Layan seconded and Mr. Ralston was unanimously elected.

"Mutual Admiration Society."

"We seem to be a 'mutual admiration society,'" remarked Mr. Ralston, "and I propose Mr. McCubbin as chairman of committee. He is a regular attendee and always sober," added Mr. Ralston amidst laughter.

Mr. H. R. Forsyth seconded.—Carried unanimously.

For the position of Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Layan said that Mr. R. W. Lee was unable to continue. He had done good work and he had found a capable successor in Mr. Mills, whom he had much pleasure in proposing.

Mr. Lee seconded.—Carried unanimously.

Mr. Layan said that they could hardly find a harder working or more conscientious secretary than Mr. McTavish, and he accordingly proposed his re-election.

Refused to Stand.

Mr. G. Rodger proposed and Mr. McTavish seconded Mr. J. Stewart as soccer captain, but Mr. Stewart would not stand. Mr. Stewart also refused to serve on the committee, saying that he preferred to be a playing member.

Pointing out that Mr. Stewart had been captain in the past and that others should have a chance, Mr. Lyon put forward the name of Mr. H. G. Howard, and Mr. S. H. Garrod seconded.

Mr. Howard proposed by Mr. C. W. E. Bishop and Mr. P. W. Ramsay seconded.

Mr. Lyon raised objection to this nomination, on the ground that the captain was needed when the season started on September 15th and Mr. Bishop would not be back from leave till December.

A Compromise.

Mr. Ralston suggested a compromise by electing one as captain and the other as vice-captain.

Mr. Garrod asked: Suppose the captain doesn't get his place when he comes back?

Mr. Ralston: Suppose the captain (elected now) does not get his place when the season starts?

Mr. Garrod rejoined that the captain must be in the team to begin with.

Mr. Lyon added that the absence of the skipper was one of the reasons why the Club did not win matches.

On the two names being put to the ballot, Mr. Howard was chosen by 9 votes to 7.

Mr. Bishop was then elected vice-captain—proposed by Mr. P. W. Ramsay, seconded by Mr. A. Hamilton.

The Committee.

The names of Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Shaw were proposed for the committee by Mr. Stewart and seconded by Mr. Forsyth.

Others who were nominated were Mr. Stewart, Mr. R. K. Duncan and Mr. Rodger, who all declined. Messrs. Hamilton and Law were then formally elected.

The formal business of the meeting then terminated.

Mr. McTavish announced that he had obtained a tender of \$550 for their match, against \$650 last year.

"A Shame and Disgrace."

Mr. Duncan drew the attention of the incoming committee to the state of the ground, which he described as a "shame and a disgrace to Hongkong football."

This state of affairs he attributed to the crowds of Chinese who went on the ground.

Mr. Lyon and Mr. Garrod stated that the ground was "public." The former informed the meeting that twelve years ago the Kowloon O.C. put a fence around their ground but were told by the Government to remove it.

Mr. McTavish disputed the description "public." He had gone to the Police who had informed him that if the Club would pay, officers could be engaged to keep others off, even when the Club was not using the ground.

Mr. McCubbin expressed as to the value of watchmen. His view was that little could be achieved and the expense would be disproportionate.

The matter was discussed out.

On Mr. McTavish's proposal, a vote of thanks to Mr. Layan (the retiring President) was carried with acclamation and closed the meeting.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL.

TWENTY-SIX TEAMS ENTER
LEAGUE.PROGRAMME TO FINISH BEFORE
JANUARY 1st.

From thirteen clubs twenty-six teams have entered to compete in the Hongkong Football League this coming season, and the Hongkong Football Association has decided that the League programme must be completed, before January 1st, 1927, in order that the second half of the season may be devoted to the Association's competitions. This announcement was made at a meeting of the Hongkong Football League, held at Volunteer Headquarters last evening, for the purpose of electing an Honorary Secretary in place of Sgt.-Major A. C. Godwin, who is shortly leaving the Colony for Home, and to make arrangements for the coming season.

Mr. G. T. MAY (President of the League) was in the chair. He explained that their recently appointed Secretary, was leaving for Home at the end of next month. They were sorry to lose his services, and it was necessary that they should have a new secretary so that affairs would be well in hand when the season commenced.

The name of Mr. W. E. HOLLANDS being put forward, he was unanimously elected as the Hon. Secretary of the League.

Arrangements for the Season.

Mr. Godwin read a letter from the Hongkong Football Association, to the effect that it had been decided that the whole of the second-half of the football season, except for one Saturday to be allotted for the match of Champions v. The Rest, should be set apart solely for the various competitions. The League games were to be completed before January 1st, 1927. November 11th (Armistice Day) had been set apart for a Charity game; December 17th the Sunday Herald Cup game; and January 1st for the Army v. Navy (Saturday) game at Cockburn.

The Chairman commented that the decision of the Football Association meant that the League football was cut down to about ten weeks. It had been found in past seasons that ten weeks was not long enough for the League programme to be completed. They had experienced great difficulty in getting off mid-week matches. However, the Secretaries of the different clubs would be arranging League fixtures for the coming season at the close of the present meeting, and no doubt they would do all they could to arrange for as many matches on Saturdays as possible, leaving as many dates vacant for the Association as they could.

Clubs Entered.

It was stated that, thirteen clubs had entered the League, and from these clubs there would be 26 teams in all competing. In the First Division there would be nine teams (nine Clubs); in the Second Division "A" ten teams (nine Clubs) and in Second Division "B" seven teams (five Clubs).

The Chairman remarked that the newly formed Chinese Athletic Club was a new entrant to the League. This Club had entered five teams in all, one in the First Division, and two teams in each of the junior divisions. South China Athletic Association had entered four teams, one in the First Division one in Junior Division "A," and two in the Junior Division "B." Another new entrant was a team from the Portuguese Staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, this Club entered a team in Division Two "B."

The teams entered in the League are as under:—

DIVISION I.
Chinese Athletic Club, South China Athletic Association, East Surrey, Kowloon Football Club, Club de Recreo, Royal Artillery, Tamar, Police, H.K.F.C. (last mentioned entered provisionally at the meeting as no entry yet received).

DIVISION II. "A."
Chinese Athletic Club (two teams), South China A.A., Easy Surrey, Kowloon, R.A., University, Saint Joseph's, Club de Recreo, H.K.F.C. (each club one team, H.K.F.C. entered provisionally).

DIVISION II. "B."
Chinese Athletic Club (two teams), South China A.A. (two teams), Moslem, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and St. Joseph's (each one team).

Surreys' Points.

Major PARON stated that the East Surreys would play as many of their fixtures as they could before they left for India at the end of October, and he requested that the usual practice be followed in such cases as this, namely, that the incoming Regiment (The King's Own Scottish Borderers) be permitted to play the remaining fixtures of the Surreys, and also to take the points the Surreys had collected up to the time of leaving.

This request was agreed to, and the teams, as given above, were elected to the League.

It was decided that the League Season commence on Saturday, October 9th.

The meeting then went on to discuss detailed arrangements for the season and to arrange fixtures.

SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION.

AN INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT.

The misunderstanding between the Executive Committee and the Football Committee of the South China Athletic Association, which recently ended in the withdrawal of a section of the football players and the proposed formation of another major sporting association among the Chinese, may soon be removed, if the efforts of leading Chinese of Hongkong to clear the differences prove successful.

Sir Shou Son Chow, Dr. R. H. Kote-wall, Mr. Tsun Yao Ting, Mr. Mok Wing Yui, all either Hon. Presidents of Active Presidents of the Association, are calling a meeting of the officers of the Association and the football players at the office of Dr. Kote-wall next Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock, when it is hoped that whatever there is to be said will be given a hearing.

The leaders of the Chinese community are desirous of having at least one strong Athletic Association.

LAWN BOWLS.

SECOND DIVISION
CHAMPIONSHIP.

The play off necessary between the Kowloon Cricket Club and the East Point Recreation Club to decide the championship of the Second Division of the Lawn Bowls League was to have taken place to-day, but as each club has failed to come to an agreement as to the venue for the game, it will have to take place later. It is probable that the matter will be referred to the Association, each club having nominated a different ground.

First Interport Match.

To-day on the Shanghai Bowling Club green the first of the Interport games will be played when Hongkong meet Hankow.

Open Singles.

In the Colony Open Single Competition games played during the week, A. Gourlay (K.D.R.C.) beat D. Rum-jahn (C.C.C.), and W. Macfarlane (K.D.R.C.) overcame W. Hill (K.C.C.). Gourlay will, therefore, meet J. C. Brown (K.D.R.C.) and W. Macfarlane meets W. Russell (R.H.K.Y.C.) to decide who shall be the semi-finalists in the top half. Omar (C.C.C.) and Iceland (K.B.G.C.) have already qualified in the bottom half. The dates of the remaining matches and the venues will be decided by the Association when the Interport team returns to the Colony.

Playing in the Colony Doubles Championship on the Police Green last evening Bass and Dennis (C.C.C.) beat Muirhead and Chalmers (T.R.C.) by 10 shots to 17.

Spey Cup Competition.

The first game in the Spey Cup will take place to-day on the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club Green when the home team will be opposed by a team from the Police Recreation.

BASEBALL.

THE WEEK-END FIXTURES.

There will be four baseball matches this weekend, and the programme will be as under:—

To-day.
2.30 p.m.—Filipinos v. Baseball Club.
4.30 p.m.—South China v. H.K.V.D.C.

To-morrow.
2.30 p.m.—South China v. Japanese (replay).
4.20 p.m.—Japanese v. Club de Recreo.

BOXING.

THE PUGILISTIC MARQUIS
COMING LATER.

CARTLIDGE'S CHALLENGE.

The Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale, the "Boxing Marquis"—did not arrive as was anticipated from Australia by the s.s. *Taipei* yesterday. He is, however, to arrive later after a possible stay at Manila. He will be accompanied by Egan, the Rhodes scholar, who is stated to be a good amateur heavyweight.

C.P.O. Jim Cartlidge is desirous of meeting Kid Raymond, who has been in Hongkong for the last few weeks seeking a contest.

HOME CRICKET.

RAIN INTERFERES AT
SCARBOROUGH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, September 9th.
At Scarborough to-day where the match between the Australians and Mr. C. I. Thornton XI. was to be resumed, rain interfered and only 25 minutes play was possible before lunch. The Australians added 31 without loss bringing their total to 24 for no wicket.

Further rain after lunch caused abandonment for the day.

HOME FOOTBALL.

MATCH AT NEWPORT DRAWN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, September 9th.
In the Third Division (South) of the English League to-day, Newport and Bristol City played a goalless draw.

ANOTHER TENNIS "PRO."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, September 9th.
It was to-day announced that Paul Fere, the French Davis Cup player, has accepted an offer to turn professional and will go to America with Mdlle. Suzanne Lenglen.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th September, 1926, will be subject to Rent.
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Hongkong, 7th September, 1926. [3932]

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashie, at 10 a.m., on the 14th of September 1926.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within two weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognised.
Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature.
MELOREBS & CO., Agents, NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, Hongkong, 9th September, 1926. [3942]

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the Wharves, Delivery can be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 11th September, 1926, will be subject to Rent.
All Claims must reach us by 13th September 1926, or they will not be recognised.
All damaged Packages will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Co., Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m., on the 10th September, 1926.
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ELECTRICAL DEVELOPMENT IN SINGAPORE.

\$5,350,000 SCHEME IN MUNICIPAL AREA.

This month, it is hoped, part of the current to be generated at the new municipal power station at St. James', Keppel Harbour, will be available, says the Straits Times to hand. It was hoped to have the first 2,000 kilowatt set of machinery in operation by the end of last June, but owing to the late shipping of material from Great Britain it was necessary to delay the start for three months.

When the station is completed in June of next year it will have two 5,000 kilowatt sets, in addition to the set already installed, and these will be sufficient to supply the city for some years.

But provision has been made in the building for another 10,000 kilowatt set, and if the demand for power from local factories increases as it is hoped that it will that set will probably be installed within the next five years.

At present the Municipality are dependent upon the Harbour Board and the Tramway Company for their electricity, receiving about 2,500 kilowatts from the former and 750 from the company but the limit of both these plants has been reached, so far as the Municipality are concerned, and that was why they had to impose restrictions upon supply three weeks ago. Those restrictions will be removed as soon as St. James' station starts work, and it is expected to give up the Tramway Company's supply in month's time.

Five Years' Progress.

Few people realise how remarkable has been the progress made in the last five years in developing the electricity service in Singapore. The programme at present being carried out by the Municipality was commenced in 1920, when the estimated cost for the construction of a large station and the distribution of electricity throughout the entire municipal area and the Katong district was \$5,350,000.

Since that date twelve sub-stations have been constructed in different districts in Singapore, and about 180 miles of cables have been laid.

The station at St. James', which is one of the largest in the Far East, has already been described fully in our columns, but it may be stated once again that its cost will be in the neighbourhood of \$2,650,000.

The Government paid \$1,100,000 for a large area of land at Telok Blangah, handed over half the isthmus of St. James, to the Municipality, and kept the other half for future expansion of the Singapore wharves.

Hundred per cent. Increase.

The public demand for electricity has kept pace with the development of the municipal service, as will be gathered from the fact that in July, 1925, the Municipality purchased from the Harbour Board 997,000 units, and in July of this year 1,828,500 units—practically a hundred per cent. increase—and the corresponding figures for the Tramway Co. supply were 178,000 and 203,000 units. Up to 1920 the limit of the municipal mains was Middle Road, on the side of the city, but the cables now extend out to Grove Road and Lavender Street, on the south, and to Telok Blangah Road, and to Coronation Road and Holland Park in the Tanglin suburban district.

The mains have still to go out to the Serangoon and Geylang districts, while the services in the areas already cabled will be rapidly developed as soon as the many applications for current can be satisfied. Electric lighting will do a great deal towards improving the amenities of life in the Katong and Pasir Panjang districts, but it may be some time before sufficient funds are available for extension in either of these directions.

Aid to Manufacturers.

For several years no reduction in the price of lighting can be hoped for, but with St. James' station in operation power will be available for industrial purposes at very much cheaper rates than previously, it being the policy of the Government and the Municipality to encourage industrial development in Singapore as much as possible.

At present practically all local factories either generate their own current, or use other forms of power, but it has been stated that Mr. Tan Kah Kee is contemplating the complete modernisation of his extensive group of factories.

If Singapore manufacturers and rubber millers can be assured of cheap municipal power considerable developments may be expected here.

Rubber factories, in particular, should be assisted materially in facing the competition which is threatening from the Dutch Indies.

The Contrast With 1914.

The European community in Singapore changes so greatly in a decade that many people now living here do not realise that in 1914 the majority of houses in the suburbs were dependent on oil lamps.

The rapidly with which the electrical development programme is being carried out reflects very considerable credit on the city fathers, and the distribution of current throughout the municipal area will do as much to increase the domestic comfort of residents as will the extension of modern sanitation throughout the city, when the Gunong Pulai water scheme is completed.

SITE FOR NATIONAL THEATRE.

AN IDEAL POSITION IN HYDE PARK.

SIR E. LUTYENS'S SUGGESTION.

(BY ST. JOHN IRVINE.)

I amused myself the other afternoon by wondering where I should build the national theatre, if I were responsible for its erection; and suddenly I remembered a suggestion for its site which I once heard Sir Edwin Lutyens make. The talk had turned on that topic, and a gentleman suggested a site in Whitehall, while a lady suggested one in Bloomsbury; and then Sir Edwin chimed in with his suggestion.

"There's a perfect site in Hyde Park," he said, "not far from Lancaster Gate Tube Station;" and when he said it all who heard him were silent for a few moments. I do not know what was in the minds of the others, but I remember the vision that was in mine, of a beautiful theatre, free on all sides from neighbouring buildings, surrounded by cool grass and tall trees, with, perhaps, a glimpse obtainable from its doors of the Serpentine.

A delicious dream! And while it lasted, I remembered the Memorial Theatre at Stratford, now a charred ruin, and thought how beautifully it was situated. There it stood by the side of the Avon, where I imagined playgoers pleasantly sauntering in the intervals between the acts, and there I would wish to see it rebuilt, although, I am told, that may not be because there are insuperable difficulties of which not the least is the fact that depth cannot be made so near the river.

How horrid are realities! How detestable are practical considerations! No doubt there are a dozen practical reasons why a National Theatre should not be built in Hyde Park, but I find myself childishly longing for Aladdin's lamp, so that I may order the genie to erect it there. And nearby should be a restaurant where one might eat before the play began. Whenever I am in Paris, I go and look at the Marigny Theatre and wish that I could own one in a situation so charming. We are more careless about our public buildings than we ought to be, although, of course, all of them cannot be finely situated. How creditable to us it is that we have allowed Southwark Cathedral to be shut in and almost enclosed by warehouses and a really hideous railway bridge! We are strangely ready to let railway companies ruin good sites and spoil fine perspectives! I never walk down Fleet Street without wishing to tear down the railway bridge at the foot of Ludgate Hill, which mars the view of St. Paul's.

SITE AND DIRECTOR.

Yet I daresay that many practical objections could be raised against the erection of a National Theatre in Hyde Park, though whether they would be quite as practical in fact as they would seem on paper is another matter. A theatre in such surroundings would have powers of attraction possessed by no other, and it would be convenient to large residential districts and easily reached from others by omnibus and tube. It would, no doubt, suffer to some extent from its remoteness from other theatres, but I imagine that the value of the neighbourhood is over-estimated. Managers may have some warrant for their belief that adjacent theatres profit from each other's "overflow," but I wonder whether there is as much profit in it as they appear to imagine.

A man who is unable to get into the theatre where a musical comedy is being performed is unlikely to go next door to see "The Cherry Orchard," except under a misapprehension. And I have not heard that the solitude of the Court Theatre has been harmful to "The Farmer's Wife," or that the Lyric Theatre at Hammersmith, miles from the West End, has suffered from the loss of "overflow." Neither have I heard that the "overflow" from "No, No, Nanette," or "Lady Be Good," or "Mercenary Mary" has been of much benefit to three or four theatres in Shaftesbury Avenue, one of which has been closed for quite a while, while another has had a "first night" at the rate of one every three weeks for a few months. The play, if it is a good one and is well acted, will generally speaking, draw its audience anywhere; and an intelligent policy at the National Theatre will pull people to it wherever it is built. For my part, I dream of the day when it will exist, and I look forward to the announcement in the newspapers that Mr. Harley Granville-Barker has been appointed to be its first director. There would be a singular fitness in the direction of the National Theatre by a man of such varied ability as Mr. Granville-Barker, who has touched every part of the stage with a sensitive hand, and done all his work in it with distinction; and I am certain that a canvass of those who know about theatrical things would result in his being at the top of the poll. A National Theatre would be well worth the money we might spend on it if it did no more than bring that man of genius back to theatrical production.

TYPE PARTS.

There has been talk of a sort of National Theatre at Stratford-on-Avon, where young players shall be strictly trained in their craft; and, indeed, some such training ground is necessary, if we are not one of these days to find ourselves without actors or actresses. The accomplished actor or actress is one who has undergone a great variety of experiences,

playing every sort of part in every sort of play; but young actors and actresses to-day have the greatest difficulty in getting the essential variety of experience. They are obliged to make "types" of themselves. Success in one part means that the player is doomed to go on acting in that part for the rest of his life.

"Oh, that's a Godfrey Tearle part!" or "That's an Edna Best part," is the modern method of casting a play, and poor Mr. Tearle or Miss Best, although they may pine for other parts, are never allowed to play them. The effect of that sort of thing on lesser players than these is calamitous, for a time comes when a young actor or actress of average ability, condemned to "type" in that way, is no longer able to act any other part. If it were not for our provincial repertory theatres, for the Old Vic, for the Lena Ashwell players, and some of the Sunday night societies, our young players would not be able to get variety of experience at all. That they are as good as they are, considering how few opportunities are given to them, is remarkable.

But a National Theatre at Stratford-on-Avon would not be so serviceable as a National Theatre in London, for it is in London that the apprentices are able to see the greatest number of skilled workmen at their jobs, and one of the ways of learning one's work is to see more accomplished people doing it. Well, there are the arguments, ladies and gentlemen, and I implore you to keep them in your mind, and if at any time you hear discussion of the subject, I beg you to remember Sir Edwin Lutyens' suggestion.—Morning Post.

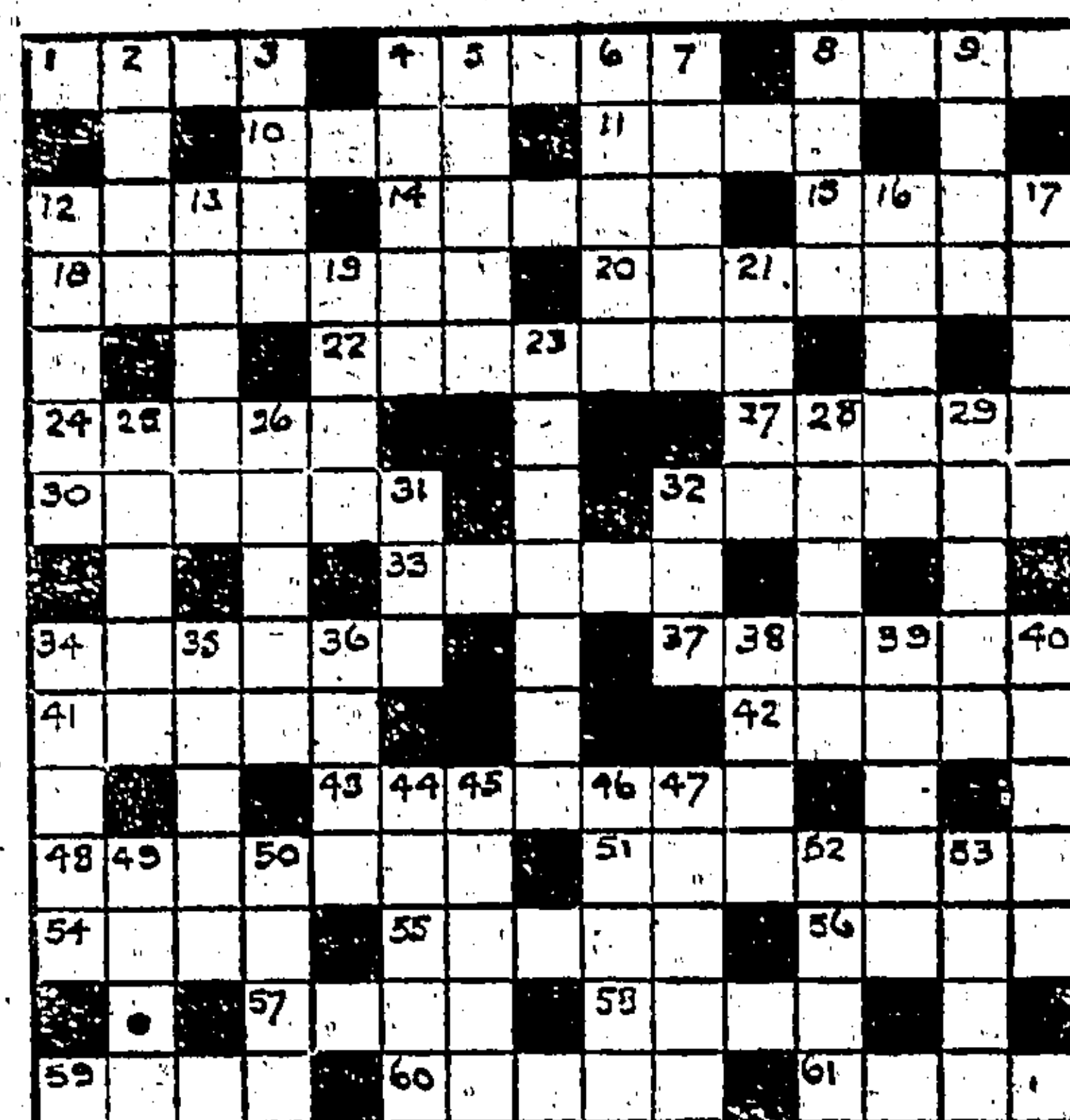
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FOR SEPTEMBER, 1926.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
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12th.....	6.08	6.30
13th.....	6.09	6.29
14th.....	6.09	6.28
15th.....	6.10	6.27
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17th.....	6.11	6.26
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27th.....	6.13	6.15
28th.....	6.14	6.15
29th.....	6.14	6.14
30th.....	6.14	6.13

CROSS WORD PUZZLE.



Across.

1. Arranged.
4. Festival.
8. Tangle.
10. Greedy.
11. Cavern.
12. At a distance.
14. Man's name.
15. Declines.
18. Officer.
20. Quack medicine.
22. Graceful.
24. Byways.
27. Recess.
30. Being.
32. Without feet.
33. Present.
34. Senior.
37. Hear.
41. Earth.
42. Saw.
43. Thin pattern plate.
48. Hide.
51. Without teeth.
54. Spikes.
55. Mother of pearl.
56. Fishes.
57. Drinks.
58. Manner of walking.
60. Noble.
60. Tapering muscle.
61. Stalk.

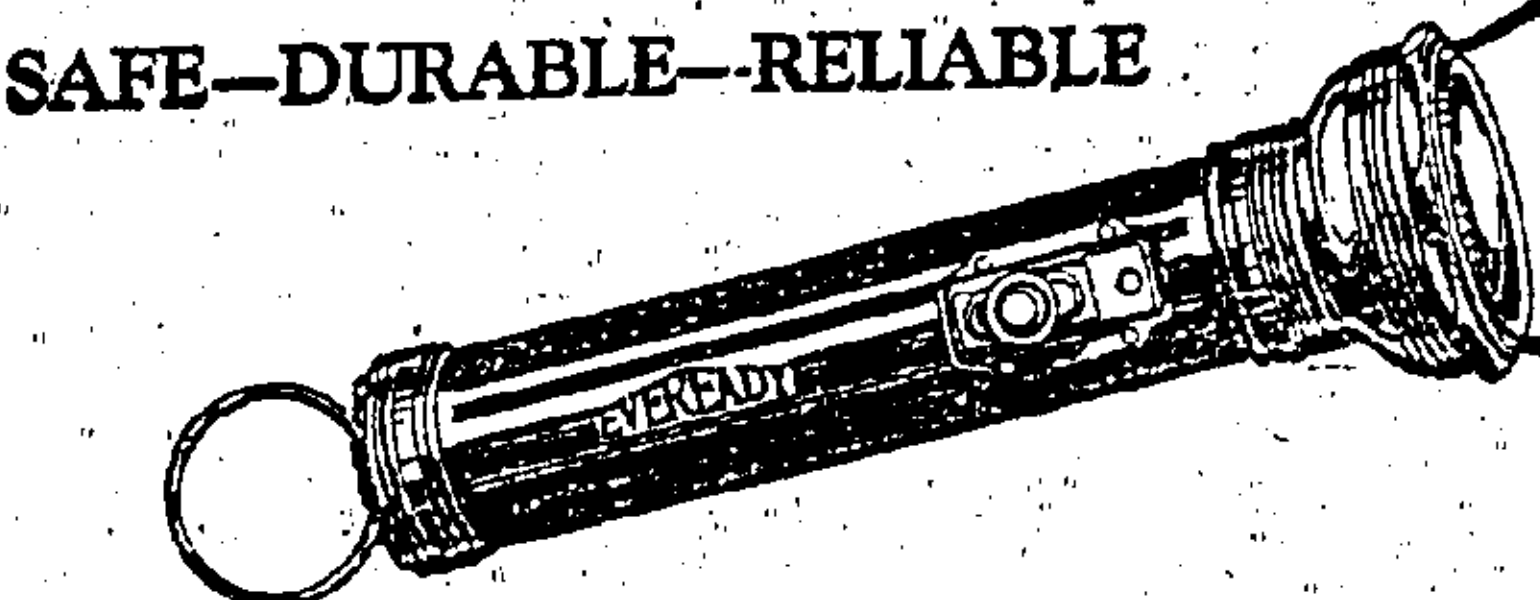
Down.

2. Existence.
3. Venture.
5. End.
6. Roman magistrate.
6. Operatic scene.
7. Claw.
8. Hunt gathering.
9. Indian ox.
12. Lithe.
13. In regard to.
16. Famous golfer.
17. Wee.
19. Remainder.
21. Cease.
23. Famous knot.
23. Joint.
26. Duck.
28. Awaken.
29. Excited.
31. Resides.
32. Shoemakers tool.
34. Intent.
35. Gloomy.
36. Band of ribbon.
38. Island.
39. Commonplace.
40. Fixes.
44. Opinion.
45. Delete.
46. Altar candle.
47. Notions.
49. Comfort.
50. Emperor.
52. Entraps.
53. On the shore side.

A solution of the above puzzle will appear in the Daily Press on Monday.

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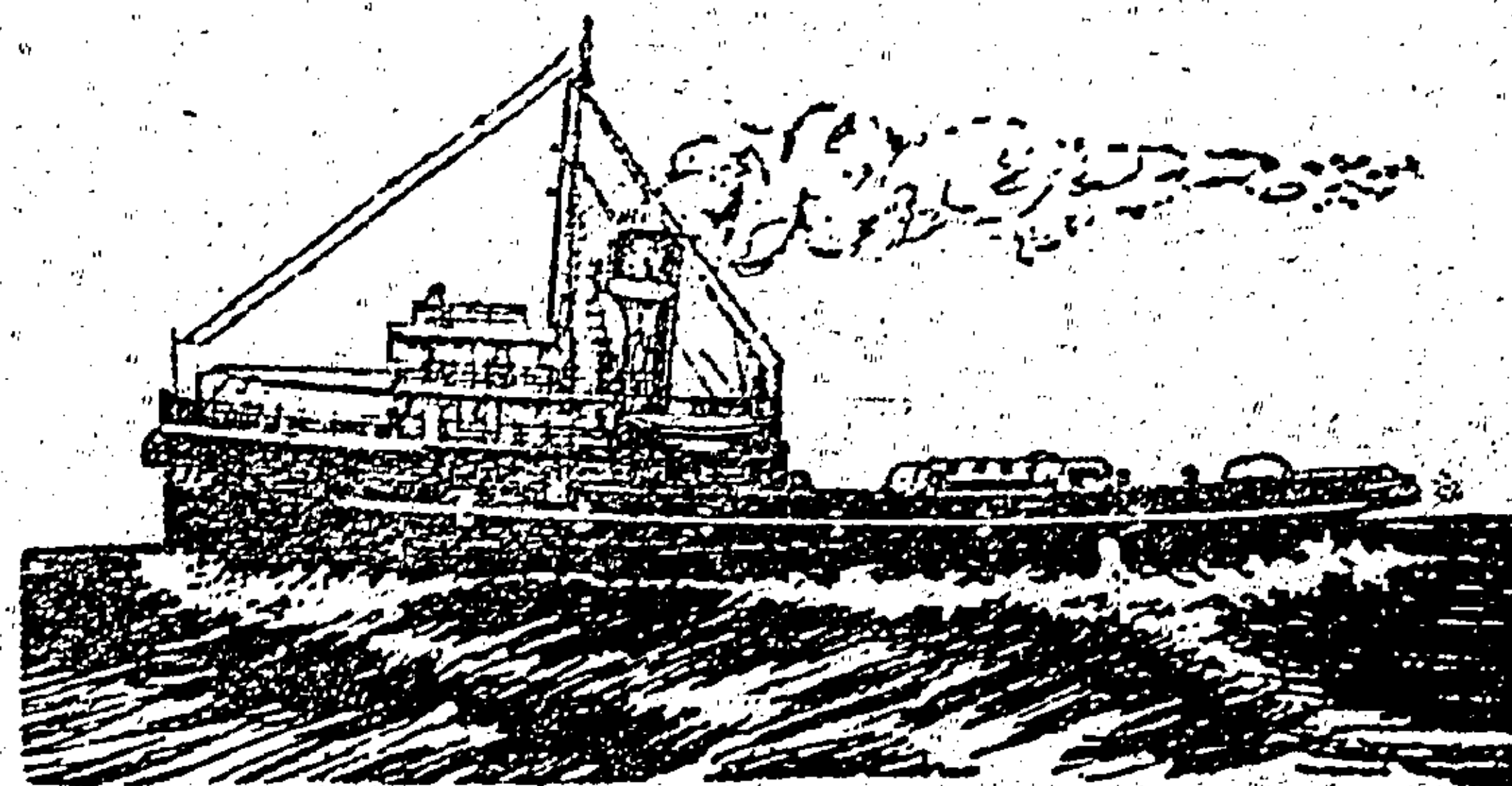
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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

September 10th.
Chicago Maru, Japanese str., 3,637 tons, Capt. K. Ishimaru, from Moji, which port she left on September 4th, with 230 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

September 10th.
Kwang Sang, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. C. A. Robertson, from Shaohai and Foochow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Morioka Maru, Japanese str., 3,093 tons, Capt. S. Amano, from Calcutta and Singapore. The latter port she left on September 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

President Pierce, American str., 5,393 tons, Capt. G. T. January, from Manila, which port she left on Sept. 8th, with 333 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dallir S.S. Line.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,613 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 512.—B. & S.
Song Bo, French str., 720 tons, Capt. J. Bonamour, from Haiphong and Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 512.—Messageries Maritimes.

Telemaque, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 512.—Wo Fat Shing.

CLEARANCES.

September 10th.
Bandoeng Maru, for Moji.
Brazilier, for Muroran.
Chenan, for Shanghai.
Chicago Maru, for Singapore.
Hai Hong, for Amoy.
Morioka Maru, for Kobe.
Strathmore, for Keelung.
Sui Yik, for Sha U Chung.
Tai Sze Ma, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Tsun, for Hoihow.
Tsun, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

By the s.s. *Taipei*, from Australia, 1st Ports, on September 10th:—Mr. and Mrs. E. Benson and son, Mrs. D. Lapper and two children, Mr. and Mrs. D. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wadsworth, Miss M. Wadsworth, Mrs. B. Stirling and child, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McMan, Mr. and Mrs. Olsen and two children, Miss Nicholson, Mrs. McCall and child, Lieut. White, Mr. B. Jackson, Mr. B. Barclay, Mr. McKinnay and Mr. B. Larague.

By the s.s. *President Pierce*, from Manila, on September 10th:—Miss M. Enrie, Mr. and Mrs. Enrique Gonzalez, Miss R. Gonzalez, Miss A. Gonzalez, Mr. W. W. Harris, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Kilgus, Mr. M. V. Moran, Mr. W. O. Pinkerton, Mr. C. H. Partridge, and Mr. W. C. Wanz. Among the passengers passing through are: Mr. R. F. Lancaster, Mrs. K. F. Lancaster, Mr. A. M. McKimmins, Miss G. McKimmins, and Miss Rose E. Nicolet, for Shanghai; and Mr. L. H. Bain, Mr. W. R. B. Blount, Mr. P. Brosnan, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Cotton, Master A. Cotton, Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Hart, Miss Ruth Hart, Mr. A. H. Langenheim, Lt. H. E. Wilson, U.S.N., Mrs. H. E. Wilson and Master Henry Wilson, for San Francisco.

By the s.s. *Trier*, on September 10th:—Mr. F. D. Bissaker, Mr. H. A. Pearson, Mr. B. Jackson, Mr. H. Gillies, Mr. and Mrs. Benson and son, Mrs. C. Bready, Mr. and Mrs. Thorny-Pellam, Miss G. Selden, Miss E. Marshall, Mr. B. Inson, Mr. N. Inson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Olsen and two children, Miss C. C. Nicholson, Mrs. S. C. Poget and two children, and Miss C. Laird.

SHIPPING NOTES.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieutenant-Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., a junk master was fined \$5, with the alternative of five days' hard labour in default, for anchoring his boat in the cable reserve off the Kowloon Railway Pier. He pleaded guilty.

The total number of deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 513, of which the s.s. *Sinkiang* (British) from Shanghai and Amoy, carried 112, and the s.s. *President Pierce* (American) from Manila, 370.

Dangerous goods manifested in yesterday's freight returns included the following:—600 tins of saltpetre on the s.s. *Trier* from Hamburg and Singapore; 350 drums (about 13 tons) of calcium carbide on the s.s. *Chicago Maru* for Singapore.

The *Hin Wong* is at present undergoing repairs at the Kwong Fook Cheung shipyard at Cheung Sha Wan; while the *Ding On* is being repaired in the Kwong Tak Cheung shipyard.

The Admiral Oriental Liner *President Grant* is due here to-morrow morning from Manila with passengers, mail and cargo and will sail for Seattle via Shanghai and Japan on Monday at five o'clock. (Continued on next column.)

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

LOW RETURNS PREDOMINATE.

SLIGHT INCREASE, BUT ALL FOR PORTS BEYOND.

The low freight figures which have predominated during the last few days were again in evidence in yesterday's shipping statement. True, there was an increase on the total freight recorded in the statement, but it only affected the cargo for ports beyond. There was one less arrival than on the previous day, but tonnage increased by over 12,000 tons. This did not affect the cargo returns, however for Hongkong freight decreased by over 2,000 tons, while that for ports beyond went up by 5,000 tons.

TONNAGE AND NATIONALITIES.

The tonnage figures were as under:—Total: 21,323 tons; British vessels: 3,044 tons; Other vessels: 18,279 tons.
At 9 a.m. yesterday there were 45 vessels in the harbour, of which 24 were British. During the previous twenty-four hours six vessels arrived, viz., two British, one French, one American, one German and one Japanese. The departures during the same period numbered eight, viz., one British for Hongkong, one Chinese for Sha U Chung, one French for Kwang Chow Wan, one British and one American for San Francisco, one Dutch for Munok, one British for Wei Haiwei and one British for Amoy. Clearances came to three, viz., one British for Amoy, one British for Kwang Chow Wan and one French for Haiphong.

CARGO ENTERED.

(For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday).
For Hongkong 1,810 tons.
For ports beyond 7,669 " "
Total 9,479 "
(For the previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Thursday).
For Hongkong 4,045 tons.
For ports beyond 2,615 "
Total 6,660 "

Of the cargo for Hongkong, the British arrivals brought 330 tons, while vessels of other nationalities brought 1,480 tons. With regard to freight for ports beyond, it was all carried by vessels sailing under flag other than British. The best of the three returns was 4,300 tons.

THE ARRIVALS

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were as under:—
Kwang Sang (Chinese) from Shanghai and Foochow with 80 tons of general cargo;
Sinkiang (British) from Shanghai and Amoy with 750 tons of general cargo;
Tunkin (French) from Haiphong with 200 tons of general cargo;
President Pierce (American) from Manila with 333 tons of tobacco, rope, sugar, brass and general merchandise, and 1,800 tons of similar cargo for ports beyond;
Trier (German) from Hamburg and Singapore with 550 tons of general cargo and 4,300 tons for ports beyond;
Chicago Maru (Japanese) from Yokohama and Moji with 292 tons of safety matches, cotton goods, porcelain and general cargo, and 1,960 tons of miscellaneous cargo for ports beyond.

LATER ARRIVALS.

Later arrivals, too late for inclusion in the above returns, were:—
Telemaque (British) from Saigon with 1,500 tons of rice, and 400 tons of general cargo;
Song Bo (French) from Haiphong and Fort Bayard with 200 tons of general cargo;
Morioka Maru (Japanese) from Calcutta and Singapore with 546 tons of general cargo and 4,389 tons for ports beyond.

MAILS.

Mails were brought as under:—*Kwang Sang*, from Shanghai and Foochow, six bags; *Sinkiang*, from Shanghai and Amoy, 148 bags; *Tunkin*, from Haiphong, 154 bags; *President Pierce*, from Manila, 12 bags; *Trier*, from Hamburg and Singapore, 40 bags; *Chicago Maru*, from Yokohama and Moji, 29 bags; *Morioka Maru*, from Calcutta and Singapore, 45 bags; *Song Bo*, from Haiphong and Fort Bayard, 37 bags.

The master of the s.s. *Morioka Maru* (Japanese) from Calcutta and Singapore, reported to the Harbour Office yesterday that strong winds and rough seas were encountered during the voyage between Rangoon and Singapore and Hongkong.

The Dollar Liner *President Adams* is due here on Monday morning from the States with passengers, cargo and mail, and is due to leave here for Manila on Tuesday morning at eight o'clock.

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*KOREA MARU	...	Tuesday,	2nd Nov.,	at Noon
*SHINYO MARU	...	Tuesday,	16th Nov.,	at Noon
*SIBERIA MARU	...	Monday,	29th Nov.,	at Noon

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TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	"HOPSANG"	...	Wednesday,	22nd Sept.,	at Noon.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	...	Saturday,	25th Sept.,	at 2 p.m.
TIENSIN	"CHIPSANG"	...	Monday,	27th Sept.,	at Noon.
TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	"YATSANG"	...	Wednesday,	29th Sept.,	at Noon.
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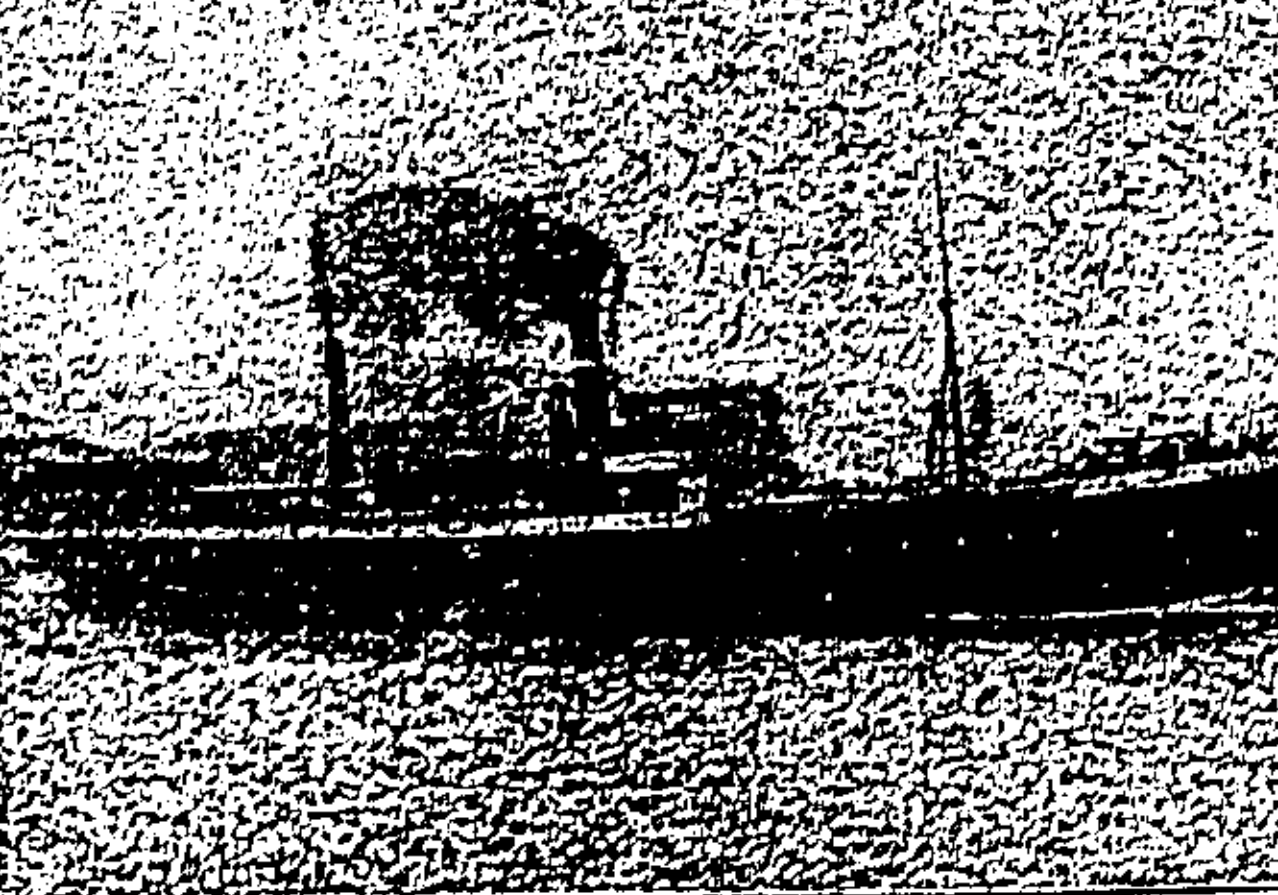
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"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept., Noon	Marseilles & London.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	20th Sept.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"NELLORE"	6,333	29th Sept.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	6,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
"JEYPORE"	5,318	11th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MORSA"	10,918	18th Oct.	Marseilles and London.
"NYANZA"	7,023	27th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHYBER"	6,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	24th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KABMALA"	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NELLORE"	6,333	8th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	11th Dec.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	23rd Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHIVA"	8,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Jan.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MORSA"	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
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"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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"SANTHA"	7,754	15th Sept., 11 a.m.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,006	21st Sept.	do.
"TALAMBA"	9,015	28th Sept.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	5th Oct.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	13th Oct.	do.

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Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st Oct.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th Oct.	do.
"TANDA"	6,956	2nd Dec.	do.
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Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"MOREA"	10,918	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	14th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	20th Sept.	Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	6,005	1st Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,902	12th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KABMALA"	9,128	23rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	29th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,956	30th Oct.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,333	2nd Nov.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
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"KHIVA"	8,135	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	25th Nov.	Shanghai only.
"MALWA"	10,914	7th Dec.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
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"KALYAN"	9,144	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MORSA"	10,913	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	6,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,959	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
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"MALWA"	10,913	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	On 14th Sept.	6 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 15th Sept.	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 16th Sept.	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	...	On 18th Sept.	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	On 19th Sept.	6 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	On 21st Sept.	6 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	...	On 21st Sept.	8 a.m.
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